

station; 635 properties; 120 acres in east London; depots Estimated total: £5.7bn



The private sector consortium says in its defence that Eurostar, included in the give-away, will not make money for another two years

Rebel Lords hit divorce bill

Keith Harper and Sarah Ryle

FURIOUS row broke out last night after the route. Labour accused

the Government of handing over public assets and cash worth 15.7 billion to the private sector consortium which yester-day won the El billion contract to build the Channel Tunnel rail link.

The give-away includes Wateriou International and St Functors stations, and 130 acres of prime development land in central London. The assets are on top of a \$1.4 billion direct Treasury grant.

The company will also get European Passenger Services, which operates the Eurostar train between London, Paris

veloped, Labour said. Water loo International was esti listed building with develop ment potential as a five-star houry hotel; a further 120 acres at Stratford, East Lon-don; and 635 properties along When asked by the Guardian to put a value on the as-sets, Sir Derek Hornby, a for-

debt: St Pancras Chambers, a

mer British Rail executive who is heading the London and Continental Railway conties could fetch 250 million. The shadow transport sec-retary, Clare Short, described the deal as "the great asset give-away". "British Rail could have built the line seven years ago for less than 21.9 billions of public money." In 1990 Cecil (now Lord) Parkinson, then transport sec-retary, said it would be illegal for the Government to put public money into the link if Labour is right about the sortium, refused. Sir George Young, the Transport Secre-tary, also refused to say what they were worth. But Labour claimed the total value was £5.7 billion, including the grant and \$12 billion of Furnetar debt

£1.3 billion of Eurostar debt, which will be written off.

The central London land described by Sir George in the Commons as "the largest If Labour is right about the redevelopment opportunity in London" - could be worth scale of the give-away, equiva-lent to almost 3p on the basic utid Brussels, free of capital | more than 53 billion once de- | rate of income tax, the tax-

Austin loo International was esti-mated to be worth £500 mil-lion, and St Pancras Chambers, which has had £10 million of public money spent on restoring its facade, could be worth £70 million as a 250-bedroom hotel, Rolling stock included was worth £550 million, and the proper-ties could fetch £50 million.



payer will lose almost as much as the £6 billion benefits which Sir George said the link

would generate for the public. The consortium, which in-cludes Richard Branson's Vir-

gin company, investor bank-ers, S G Warburg, National Express and civil engineering source said that any develop-ment profits would be split equally between the LCR and company Ove Arup, has pledged to build the new 68-mile link from London to the Government. Consortium members pointed out that they were tak-ing on Eurostar, which is not Folkestone by 2003. Sir Derek said that LCR

would put up £2 billion of pri-vate sector money by 2000, the year the Government has expected to make money for another two years. One mem-ber did not consider Waterloo promised to keep its part of the bargain with the £1.4 billion subsidy. Sir George told the Com-mons "LCR will be free to de-International to be an asset at all Ministers also stressed the

regeneration benefits of the station at Stratford which velop those parts of the land not required for the rail link they said could bring 50,000 new associated jobs to the area. They highlighted the itself and arrangements have been put in place to ensure that the Government receives benefits to the rest of Britain as well as the South East, a fair share of development profits realised from them. where commuters are expected to enjoy more frequent "In addition. London and faster and more reliable

Continental are required to servio use any income derived from the sale of surplus properties only for the link project." The high-speed rail link will

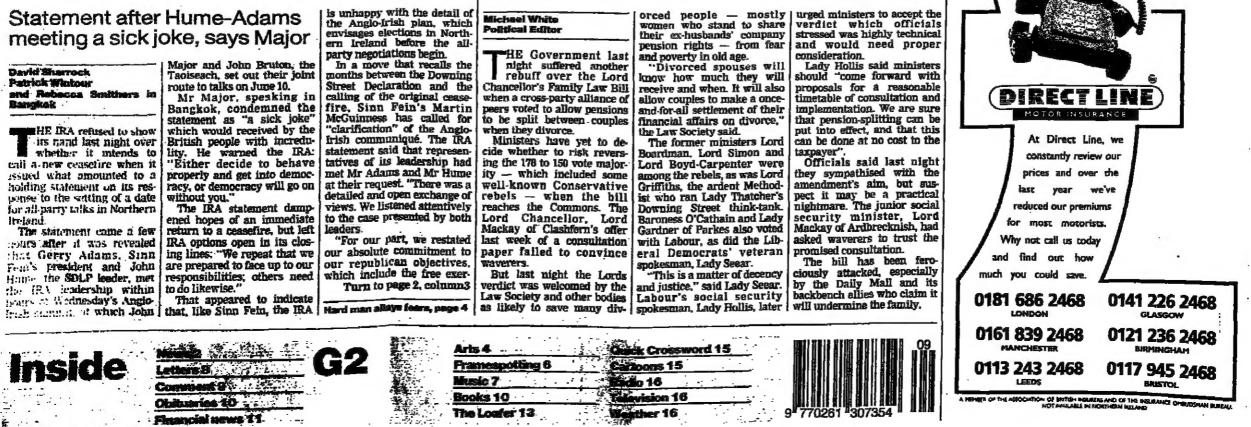
enable trains to travel at up to 160mph and will have a direct

Later a senior channel link connection to the West Coast Eurostar London-Paris time ource said that any develop Main Line route to Glasgow will be cut by 30 minutes from via Birmingham and Man-chester, and will save up to 60 three bours now

minutes on services from the North and Midlands. The comment, page 8 Notebook, page 11; Leade

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IRA stalls on ceasefire



2 NEWS

Sketch

A gallant game of gooseberry

grew more detailed. He had

obviously spent hours in his lonely bedroom thinking it

Champs Elysée in Paris!" he

said. "And in the Grand Place in Brussels! We will have a

nutritious, but it is a damn sight better than horse from

Then he sat down, leaving

crack CRS would react if they found a British minister and a man in a blond wig sitting in the middle of the Champs Ely-

see thrusting gooseberries at passers-by. Mrs Browning is a happily

knows what happened to the

last Tory MP who took a friend on a gastronomic tour of

France. (David Ashby lost a libel case with costs up to

£500.000.) Clearly, not having

to eat horse was an attraction. But how could she refuse with

out reducing her young swain to bitter tears?

Would she say she was Washing her hair? (No excuse for Mr Fabricant: his just goes to the dry cleaners.) Would she claim that Chuck or Dino had

already promised to take her in his T-bird?

"I have just received a mes-sage from the whips," she

said. "saying that my honour-able friend was going to make this invitation. It added:

married woman. She also

us to wonder how France's

through ."We will stop off in the



Simon Hoggart

HE NEW courtesy is really catching on at the House of Commons, I'm pleased to say. For example, Michael Fabricant (C. Mid Staffs) never misses an oppor-tunity to be gallant to Angela Browning. the Agriculture Minister.

Last year he called her "slender", not so much to her face as to her back, since he sits two rows behind the front bench. Yesterday he went further, and openly suggested that the two of them went to the Continent together.

Mrs Browning is the minis-ter for food and has told her civil servants that since tak-Ing the job she has gone up two s. The implication is that she has to eat more, though I don't see why; the Minister of Health isn't hooked up to a drip feed, any more than the Defence Secretary has a rocket launcher in his briefcase.

Anyhow we assume that her ministerial boxes are full, not of state papers, but tasty snacks — draft working Mars Bars or confidential dry roasted peanuts.

As she gets broader in the beam, so Mr Fabricant's adoration grows. At Agriculture Questions, he gazes at her wid-ening back, reflecting how, every month, there is so much more of her to love.

Yesterday he gulped, swal-lowed hard, and like the nerdiest boy in the school, finally plucked up the courage to ask eggy Sue to the prom.

Can I invite my honourable friend on a motoring tour around Europe with me?" he asked, breathlessly. It all came out in a rush.

"In a trailer behind our car we will have apples from Kent, gooseberries from Worcester-shire, and the best British beef from Staffordshire!" (I've never beard anyone invite a girl on a dirty weekend and offer to take the gooseberries along.) Mr Fabricant's fantasy



José Maria Aznar, the opposition leader, uses the pulling power of Julio Iglestas to endorse his party at a rally in Saragossa PHOTOGRAPH: JAVER CEBOLIADA

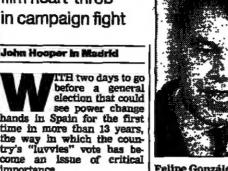
Spanish stars hold key to power

Bronzed crooner lines up against film heart-throb in campaign fight

'Don't you dare!'" How ghastly for Mr Fabri-cant to have the whips stand between him and the woman John Hooper in Madrid who is the love of his life, even if he never sees her face. I do hope he will look at this in a broader perspective and not do anything rash. When he gets over the pain of this refusal, he will realise that hands in Spain for the first time in more than 13 years, there are plenty of other min-isters in the sea. Perhaps he

could be less ambitious and suggest to Mrs Bottomley a mportance day trip to Margate with a bag of Cornish pasties. Later Michael Heseltine vortied us again. A Labour MP asked him why, since he had taken over the presenta-

tion of government policy, Labour's poll lead had risen by four points. "I", be replied. Then "T". Next, he said: "I"; then again, "T". After about eight Ta, he got out the answer. But he is looking like a bedly wounded lion these days.



Last night, the singer Julio Iglesias was due to address the second rally in as many days in support of the right-wing Popular Party (PP). Yes terday, the perennially-bronzed crooner appeared beside José Maria Aznar, the PP's leader, at a meeting in the bullring at Saragossa, in the bullring at Saragossa, in

the north-east. Before a crowd of about 15,000 cheering voters, he told the conservative candidate: "T

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Felipe González (left) is backed by Antonio Banderas

support you because I love you with all of my soul." His emotional intervention was seen as a response by the right to backing for the Socialists from Antonio Banderas, the Hollywood heart-throb. He declared his support despite having been accused of favouring the ruling party for reasons of self-



agreed to help promote farm exports from the Socialist-run southern region of Andalusia which is to hold a regional ballot on the same day as the general election. According to a whispering campaign, which the Socialists claimed was mounted by the right, he feared losing the promotional contract if the left lost. Mr Banderas has said his entire payment amounted to a ham.

Lover and the leg of pork has been adeptly exploited by Fe-lipe González, the prime min-ister. On Monday, he told a youth rally on the outskirts of Madrid: "The 'Antonio Ban-derze symptote' is the sympderas syndrome' is the symp-tom of an illness, of intolerance." This is what makes sway

ing the "luvvy vote" crucial. In Spain, it is more than just notching up celebrity en-dorsements. After 38 years of bigoted dictatorship under the late General Francisco Franco, most Spaniards view intolerance with immense disapproval.

Franco's regime was op-posed by the overwhelming majority of the country's art-ists and intellectuals. So whoever can identify his party with the "cultural vote" is im-plicitly identifying his oppo-nents with the intolerance of the Franco years.

The Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) has tried to achieve this with a crass television commercial in which images of Mr Aznar are mixed in with others of a Doberman and an atomic

The affair of the Latin | explosion. Mr González has used Spain's "political luv-vies" to get the same message across more subtly. On Tuesday, he hosted a meeting in Madrid of more

than 100 figures from the arts, many of whose names appeared again yesterday in a full-page press advertisement endorsing the PSOE. Among them were the actress Vic-toria Abril, the poet José Agustin Goytisolo, the film di-rector Carlos Saura, and the theatre directors Adolfo Mar-sillach and Lluis Pascual

The PP's endorsements have tended to come from celebrities who are closer to the world of show business. Apart from Julio Iglesias, Mr Aznar has won the backing of the Cuban pop chanteuse Glo-ria Estefan and the Spanishborn, but Miami-based, singer Rafael, who has an immense following in Latin America. However, it is a most point whether Mr Aznar would have been better off without Rafael's backing. "One

these days," he was quoted as saying, "history will do jus-tice to Franco. Aznar will be a great prime minister". in India.

New Aids risk ahead

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Tim Redford Science Editor

S AND Asian scientists who have marked Who have worked out who some strains of HIV spread by heterosexual rather than by homosexual encounter today warn of a potential fresh wave of infection

in Western countries. Dr Max Essex, director o be Harvard Aids Institute in Boston, Massachusetts, and colleagues in Rhode Island and Thailand, reveal in the US Journal Science that a par-ticular HIV sub-type in Thai-land gray more efficiently in land grew more efficiently in what are known as the epithelial Langerhans cells. These are found in oral and genital mucus, but not in the rectum. In Thailand, India and Af-

rica south of the Sahara, 90 per cent of all HIV infection is heterosexual. And the subtypes of HIV in those regions differ from the strain known as HIV1-B, dominant in the US and Western Europe. In Britain and the US. most

infection is still among the drug-user and homosexual communities.

In recent years, in Britain and the US the rate of increase in infection has been slowing down. But the implication of today's revelation is

that this may not last. The problem lies in the be-wildering ability of the Aids virus to change its shape. "In the West, especially in the US, but probably in Great Britain and Europe, we shouldn't assume that whatever Aids vi-rus we have now — which is B — will be the only kind of Aids virus we'll have," said Dr Esser. "We may soon have others

from Africa and Asia that will cause higher rates of hetero-sexual transmission."

He warned against complacency, or a relaxation in use of condoms.

More than 3.5 million people in Asia are believed to be HIV-positive. Scientists last month warned that by the year 2,000 there would be more HIV-positive people in South-east Asia than in any other part of the world. In Thailand — notoriously

a focus of sexual tourism HIV1-E has taken hold, but types A,C and D dominate in Africa, and type C holds sway

People who turned up in British or US hospitals with HIV-related illnesses were evidence of a virus caucht five or 10 years earlier. And routine screening tests confirmed that individuals were

infected, but did not identif the sub-type of virus, he said.

Rockers

The kick of the spiderwoman

Judith Mackrell

First night

......................... Birmingham Royal Ballet Birmingham Hippodrome

EROME ROBBINS, one of the defining creators of American ballet, is much better known in Britain for the raw, jazz-driven choreography he produced for West Side Story than for his many ballets — in fact most of the Robbins repertoire is, for us here, a blank.

This makes David Bintley's move to acquire some of it for Birmingham Royal Ballet a smart one. And though his first acquisition. The Cage, is an early work (1951), it is a fascinating place to start be-cause over 45 years it has crystallised into a genuine period piece - as revealing about the time and place it was made as about Robbins himself.

Watching the choreography you feel you know exactly what Robbins was watching then — the Balanchine rep. Martha Graham's middle period dances like Cave of the Heart and Broadway jazz.

The work presents its influ-ences cleanly, like geological layers, yet it has welded them into a satisfying solid — a bunk of work that you can turn around in your gaze. To focus on The Cage's brief

plot is to do it no favours (po-litical correctness is not its trump card) but basically it shows us a colony of spide women, who instruct their youngest member how to mate with and then devour the two men who wander innocently into their midst.

Since 1951, predatory women with slashing legs and stabbing pointes have become

Two sentenced to hang for murder of Britons on yacht out one of Antigua's most sen-

John Mullin

WO men were sentenced to hang after a jury in Antigua took 90 minutes to find them guilty of the murder of two British yacht crew and an American couple who lived in Hampshire. Mallanson Harris, aged 23,

and Marvin Joseph, 22, had given 15 years' hard labour shown no remorse through- for manslaughter.

one of modern ballet's more gruesomely overworked cli-chés, but Robbins uses the density of his score (Stravinsky's Concerto in D) to gener-ate dramatic subtlety and intense movement invention. The novice, danced magnifi-

cently by Monica Zamora, is insect and woman, her flicker ing hands are wings, her arms are greedy proboscises, her mouth gapes and she is both light and savage. When she mates with the second man who comes along she also becomes an absorb-ing mix of tenderness and avid

amorality. In one extraordinary image we see him (danced by Joseph Cipolia) crouched with his head between her knees, and in dim, wavering light the movement is half a deadly embrace, half a weirdly beautiful

sculpture. The Cage forms part of a 1950s programme that also fea-tures Ashton's Birthday Offering and Birmingham Royal Ballet's first performance of Balanchine's Agon. It is good to see the men in the company powering fairly confidently through its feisty, mock-courtly, mock-combat-ive choreography. Monica Zamora as the lead woman looks perfect, with her long limbs and the black chal-

lenge in her eyes. Yet her dancing lacks the necessary lethal focus. And while most of the other women perform the steps reasonably well, they are not yet at ease with the ballet's New York wit and razzle. At present the performance is too much like seeing a group of actors playing Albee or Ten-

nessee Williams without American accents.

regain status Michael Ellison on

an image problem

RANCIS Rossi has come a long way in 30 years. Back when rock was young and dangerous it was a season at Butlins, Minehead. Yesterday, 110 million record sales later, it was the five-star Langham Hilton Hotel, across the road from the home of the new orthodoxy, Broadcasting House, central London.

The leader of Status Quo leaned forward, eyes nar-rowed below creased brow, and announced: "We're not baving it." No one could deny it. Rossi's band is not having its latest record reflect tastes." played on Radio 1. Neither are lots of others.

These people are Radio 1's controller, young Matthew Baunister (37) and his head but only Quo, the denim-en-crusted custodians of the 12-bar boogle, issued a writ for breach of contract yesof production, young Trevor Dann (44). Each week Dann and a panel of producers select the records which will terday demanding £250,000 in damages. Their case is simple: Radio 1 is a top 40 be played on the station. Those on the A-list will be heard up to 30 times in seven station and Quo's records get in the charts, so they should be played. The BBC's days, the B-list 20 times and the C-list 10 to 15 times. case is even more simple: it is not a top 40 station. Status Quo, 50 hits down the line and new in the charts this week with Fun Fun Fun Only a few years ago they were all the best of friends. at number 24, do not figure on any of these.

Quo even headlined the Party in the Park, Birming-bam, to celebrate Radio 1's 25th anniversary in 1992. "Maybe Radio 1 doesn't bike our music or the internet tention that Mr Dann has,

than the one play it would But the hugely successful be necessary to give on their Sunday afternoon top

40 chart show." Mr Dann was "abusing his power by unilaterally declaring that Status Quo do not suit the demo-graphic of Radio 1's audi-ence." Three years ago, when keyboard player Andrew Bown was only 46, Mr Bannister took over the station charged with prostation charges with pro-ducing "distinctive" broad-casting and lowering the andience's age profile. He promptly lost 5 million lis-teners, though the station bas recovered slightly to retain 11.2 million retain 11.2 million.

Bass player John Edwards, with the band for 10 years, said: "I still listen to Radio 1; just because I'm 42 It's not as if we're 'The like our music or the image on behalf of Radio I FM, in- doesn't mean I'm not Thargs from Transylvania."

stigated a policy banning any producer from playing our new recordings other more of a mix."

"senior statesmen of the rock and roll industry" are not going to court just to help themselves. "Numerous artists in our business are suffering the same in-justice" said Parfitt (47). Radio 1 named some of the other victims as Mr

Blobby, Michael Barry-more, Michael Ball, Robson and Jerome and Cliff Rich-ard. "Unlike everyone else, Status Quo don't seem to have noticed that there have been a few changes at Radio 1 in the last couple of years," said a spokes-woman. "We do not slav-ishly follow the Top 40. Records are chosen on merit."

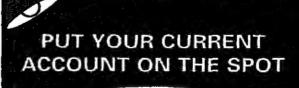
The Thargs from Transylvania'

'We're very

popular. It's

Another problem was that people working on possible future vaccines might be working on the wrong strains of virus. 'If we succeed in making a vaccine three years from now, but the only vac-cine we have succeeded in - John Edwards making is for B, and then we find an epidemic is starting of E or C, then it won't be as good."

Status Quo outside the BBC PHOTOGRAPH: GRAHAM TURNER



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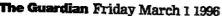
out one of Antigua's most sen-sational trials. Scotland Yard IRA stall over new ceasefire as Major scoffs at sick joke played a key role in the investigation. Donaldson Samuel, 23, also continued from page 1 cise by the Irish people of our inalienable right to national involved in the attack off the former British colony of Barself determination." buda gave evidence for the prosecution after changing his plea on the first day of the month-long trial. He was

It was the failure to call allwere the critical elements party talks without precondi-tions, the "abuse of the peace which led "to the failure, thus far, of the Irish peace proprocess by the British over 18

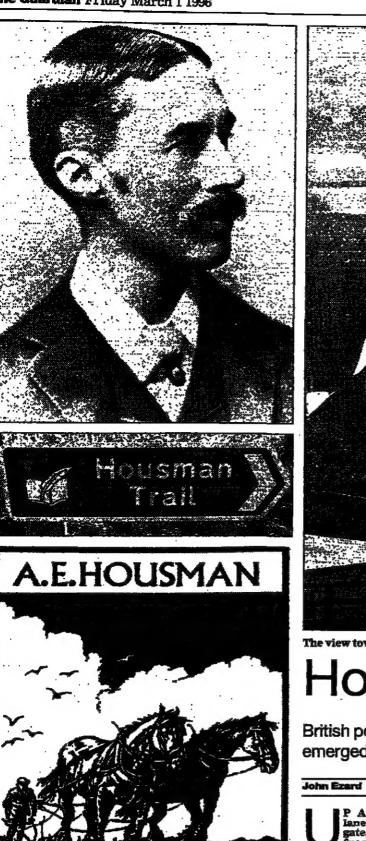
approach capable of provid- | whether the IRA would call a | ceasefire during their meetceasefire, but that he was in ing with the IRA. favour of that course of Asked on BBC TV whether ing an irrevocable momentum towards a just and last-ing peace in Ireland" which action. He said he had told the Mr Adams had "recom-IRA of his "sadness and

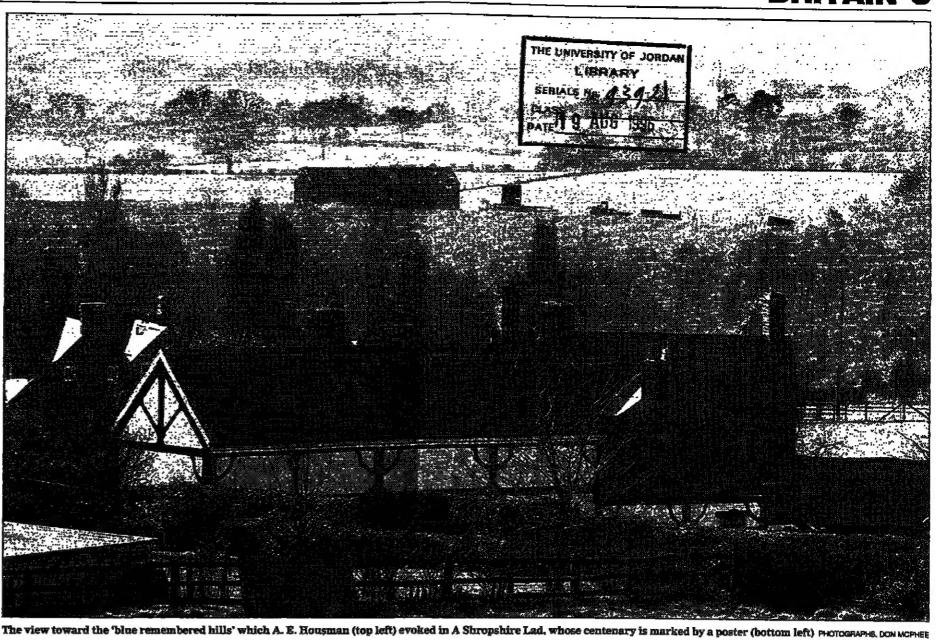
mended" a return to the ceasefire. Mr Hume replied: regret" at the breakdown of the ceasefire. "Absolutely. Both of us met in process by the British over 18 cess", the statement said. Mr Hume revealed that the order to do everything in our months", and the absence of Earlier Mr Adams said he Sinn Fein leader had added power to restore the peace "an effective and democratic did not know when or his voice to the calls for a process." Mr Hume revealed that the order to do everything in our

of the band or maybe they think we're too old," said singer and guitarist Rossi (aged 46). "But these people aren't paid to be taste-makers or trend setters but to



BRITAIN 3





Housman's hills brought back into view

British poetry's most celebrated vista has emerged from 100 years of secrecy have remained a virtual bave remained a virtual have remained a virtual the society has renamed

tills runs round more than 300 degrees of the horizon, ranging out across the Sev-P A holly-hedged ern to Worcestershire and The field is half a mile

lane, over a rusty gate, and there in front of you from Housman's childhood home at Fockbury, near Bromsgrove. As a boy, he called the hill which it forms Mount Pisgah, after the mountain Moses climbed searching for the promised land. stretches one of the most devastating, least known views in Britain — A.E. Housman's "blue remembered hills". Here, revealed from the top of a meadow near Birmingham, is the setting of In the sadness of his later youth, especially after his one of the world's most be loved lines of poetry. A 100mother died from breast

secret for 100 years. Even its local name, Broom Hill, is found only on very old Ordnance Survey maps. A Housman Trail designated by Bromsgrove council some years ago direct motorists straight past the lane leading to it. Its location is disclosed in Housman's Places, a book of walking routes produced by the Housman Society to

commemorate next week's centenary of the publica-tion of A Shropshire Lad. "This has been known to only a few of our local the book's

it Housman's Hill and plans to lead the first public highways where I went/ And cannot come again" is less than a mile from the M5/ M24 motorway interwalks there in the summer as part of the centenary celebrations. section. Part of the view full of orchards when he knew it, is now a Broms-

But admirers will have to stop at the gate, from which the full glory of the view is grove dormitory suburb. invisible. The farmer who owns the meadow strongly of "coloured counties" and discourages visitors. What has also helped keep the vantage-point secret is the church spires has been as-tonishingly preserved. It sweeps through Worcestershire from Droitwich to Bredon Hill ("Here of a 20th century ugliness around it.

The hill is chiefly known Sunday morning/My in Bromgrove as the site of a BBC TV relay mast, to verns, the Abberley hills, which obtrusive mobile and then past Titterstone

phone relay equipment has recently been added. The place in which Housman Clee and Brown Clee in Shropshire.

"It is by far the most poi-gnant single connection yearned for "the happy with Housman we have" said Jim Page, the society's chairman. "We are eager that more people should be able to see it, but that is a long way ahead. There is no access or parking. We have a lot of hurdles to jump But the main panorama first".

Housman's Places, £7.99. with details of 30 comm tive events, from Housman Society, 80 New Road, Bromsgrove B60 2LA. Coach tours indine Mount Piseah are on love July 19 and October £17

mounted in the car park of West Angle Beach as he

strolled around, jollying with the workmen and dis-

cussing details of how the

oil has almost wiped out a

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the D-word. Even the man from the Sun decided it would be "too tacky". ITN punctured the surreal deli-

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German scanda THE ROYAL DIVORCE: Move followed Queen's pressure Prince snubs media

claims spy chief ('Emotionally exhausted' princess takes low profile

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GERMANY'S espionage chief, Ronrad Porzner, resigned yesterday, the chief casualty in a spy scan-dal in which Britain's MI6 is money believed to have lost tens of thousands of pounds and had to withdraw one of its agents

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from Germany. Mr Porzner, aged 60, asked the government for sarly retirement after failing to persuade Chancellor Helmut Kohl to punish two senior espionage officials for their roles in a scheme in which British spies tried to buy Russian secrets and weapons

from rogue German agents. The resignation capped a turbulent year for the Ger-man intelligence community, under fire for alleged nuclear smuggling, disorganisation, and the Russian secrets debacle that involved British and American agents.

A British diplomat based in Berlin returned to Britain last November after paying tens of thousands of pounds to a trio of German spice for secret material deriving from Russian troops leaving east

Germany. The news magazine Der Spiegel named the British agent last month as Rosemary Sharpe, first secretary at the Sharpe, first secretary at the British embassy in Berlin. The magazine said she had

paid just over £20,000 for the material. Other sources said Edward Pilkington Britain had lost a lot of

The German trio, allegedly running a freelance operation and not reporting the income to their superiors, are said to be under investigation for corruption. They were based

in Nuremberg, central Ger-many, from where they ac-quired weapoury, documents and information from former Red Army officers leaving east Germany and selling the material on to British and American agents.

When the scandal erupted last October, Mr Portner is said to have rushed to London for fraught meetings with his British counterparts, al-British counterparts, al-though German sources say the German authorities con-sidered charging the British agent at the time. German secret police trailed one of the trio and Ms Sharpe to a clandestine meet-

ing in a Munich hotel at the end of October. She returned to Britain shortly after that. Relations between the two secret services are said to be strained as a result. Mr Porzner, a lifelong

Social Democrat unloved in the Christian Democratic chancellery in Bonn, tried to exploit the scandal to have two of his senior officials sacked and demanded that Bonn bow to his demand.

EUROPEAN PASSENGER SERVICES

HE Princess of Wales bowed out of a high-profile charity function last night pleading emotional ex-haustion, as her lawyers

began the detailed work of ne-gotiating a divorce settlement. She cancelled an appear-ance at the launch of the 125th birthday appeal of the British Brd Core of which che is Red Cross, of which she is patron, in the wake of her surprise announcement on Wednesday that she had agreed to a divorce. The charity brought in TV personality Cilla Black to help fill the gap. For the Prince of Wales in was business as usual. He vis-ited Pembrokeshire to see the

environmental devastation of the Sea Empress oil spill, tailed by an army of cameras and press reporters. Meanwhile, Buckingham Palace issued a statement from the Queen that she wished the divorce settlement to be

amicably, for the sake of the children". The palace expects a series of negotiations to take place between lawyers and with government departments before a package is announced. It emerged that Princess Di-ana's agreement to divorce came after the Queen urged her husband to push ahead with the matter. Prince Charles wrote to the princess

requesting a private meeting, which took place at St James's Palace on Wednesday

afternoon The royal couple are likely to opt for a "quickie" divorce. Theoretically, a petition to end the marriage on the grounds of two years' separa-tion by consent could be pro-cessed by the courts within a couple of months.

However, the row that has erupted between Buckingham Palace and Princess Diana's personal office does not augur well for a rapid and painless settlement. Both sides yester day continued to insist they were telling the truth: the princess that her title and future accommodation had been agreed, and the palac that everything was open for

discussion. It emerged that after the divorce the princess will no longer use the style "Her Royal Highness". The palace noted that the decision to drop the style was hers and had not been pressed on her

by the Queen or Prince Charles. "Maybe she's decided she will lose the HRH title as part of her negotiating stance but that's a matter for her. She was not pressurised into doing so," a palace source said. THE Prince of Wales sur-veyed the polluted beaches and floundering fauna of his principality yesterday without so much and celestial TV world, buzzing with the details of

Letters, page 8; Peter Preston and Bei Littlejohn,



PH: GARETH LLEWELLYN WILLIAMS Prince Charles with a workman on West Angle Beach

Prince Charles discoursed on the fate of the brooding cushion (a starfish) but not on that of his marriage, writes Maggie O'Kane

and celestial TV world, pulled by engines Prince for it but when they heard but is principality was also much more concerned with the almost 70,000 tonnes of being helicoptered from Satellite dishes were

cacy of the moment by shouting out: "Sir, can I ask you about the divorce?" The prince, apparently oblivious, continued to shake the hands of the workmen. Those that turned out to see him, not more than about 190, including 20 children from Angle pri-mary school, expressed either disinterest or sad-ness that Princess Diana had agreed to the divorce. Margaret Phillips was having her hair set by Wendy Halman in Haverfordwest High Street. "I feel sorry

for their children and the poor Queen, who's been working hard all her life and now she has to be and now she has to be dragged through the mire like that with them," she said. Her hairdresser had pity for nobody. "There's far more important things going on in this world than two silly over-indulged

people getting a divorce.

beach to beach surveying the damage from the Sea Empress. He chose his first photo opportunity with Dai Rees, a workman employed kees, a workman employed by Texaco to clean up Angle Beach. A greatly enlarged group of press photogra-phers seized the moment. Matthew Polak, a French matthew Polar, a French photographer, said interest abroad was "monstrous". "I tried to get a magazine interested in pictures of the pollution. They wouldn't go for it but when they heard Chapter was coming down



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Serry Kelly (second left) with an interpreter at his extradition hearing in Amsterdam in 1986, and (right) as a member of a Sinn Fein peace delegation in 1995

Hard man allays IRA fears over talks

Richard Norton-Taylor and Michael White

N unfamiliar figure emerged with Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness from Stormont Castle this week as part of the Sinn Fein delegation there for talks with British officials. Gerry Kelly is believed to

ship, at least in Northern Ire-land. He is said to be a senior be the most sceptical of the three about the prospect of the British government's willfigure in the organisation's Northern Command. ingness. or ability, to agree to negotiations opening the way to a long-term settlement for the future of Northern

Ireland

as the hard man in Sinn following year he was sen-frein's delegation, whose pres-ence helps to allay deeply-in-for his part in the bombing of ence helps to allay deeply-in-grained suspicions within the the Old Bailey. After a hunger strike pro-IRA about the Government's intentions. A Belfast news-paper, the Sunday World, detest, he was moved to the Maze prison in 1976 where he

scribed him last weekend as the IRA's chief of staff. read profusely and later wrote a volume of poetry, Words From a Cell. In 1983 he He is not. But there is little doubt that his views carry weight with the IRA leaderhelped plan the escape of 38 IRA prisoners, including himself

He was arrested in Amsterdam three years later, and after hearings where he com-

on being a member of it. Formal meetings of the Army Council, called when his part in the Maze escape, and released on remission in

1989. He was involved, with Mr McGuinness, in secret talks with the British government between 1990 and 1993. Mr Kelly's authority and credibility rest on his longstanding record as a prisoner, an escaper, and on active ser-vice, but his influence is difficult to measure. Whether or not he is a member of the

The security forces - who say they know the names of

the 1992-93 ceasefire was voted down, and also when the 1994 version was finally put into action, are inter-

spersed with informal ses-sions, including meetings in cars, buses or pubs. Most members of the council live in rural border areas. They publicly said they had left the hold most of their meetings in the Republic. It is believed the future of Northern He is commonly described weeks of Bloody Sunday. The land the set of Bloody Sunday Sunday. The land the set of Bloody Sunday. The land the set of Bloody Sunday Sunday. Set of Bloody Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday.

body, an individual's influ-ence is not always dependent

the council's membership have faced frustration finding proof that would justify con-viction for belonging to a proscribed body, as Irish courts have also found. Claims by some senior MPs that both Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness — who

Army Council — are still full members is regarded as pre-• The Ulster Unionists and

16th he has suffered in three years. John Boyle, of Gateshead, Type and Wear, fought off the latest attacker with a hammer, but he later returned with a knife. Mr Boyle, who is recovering in hospital, hopes he will be found a place in a sheltered complex. He said: "I can't take any more of this. I have been broken into 16 times now and every time they just take what they want and get away scot free... They have taken five TV sets, pinched my electric wheekhair, and stolen four of my wallets. I have lost about 1,300 in cash."

£42,550 for model car

A MODEL car commissioned by Hitler will return to Germany A MODEL car commissioned by Hitler will return to Germany after being sold at auction yesterday for \$42,550. The highly detailed KdF Wagen, the prototype for the Volkswagen Beetle, was one of five commissioned by Hitler, and was presented to Robert Bosch, founder of the German electronics giant, in 1941 as an 80th birthday present. The 1:12.5 scale model was bought by the company at Christie's sale of transport memorabilia in London. It will be stored in archives at Stuttgart where it was originally made in 1938 by the Porsche Apprentice School. Stefan Buchsteiner, of Bosch, who attended the sale, said. "The model was a personal present to a founder of our company and we are delighted to have it back."

Grammys for British stars

believe I've won. Fantastic." Another Briton, Seal, (above right)won awards for best Rose. He called it an honour and "a real pleasure". — Ben

AN APPEAL against an industrial tribunal decision allowing resumption of hands on contact between keepers and tigers at millionaire John Aspinal's 200 was mounted by Canterbury

council yesterday. The tribunal was convened after the council issued an order under the Health and Safety at Work Act banning

staff at Howletts Wild Animal Park entering tiger cages. The ban was introduced after keeper Trevor Smith was killed by a Siberian tiger in 1994. When the tribunal found in his favour, Mr Aspinall claimed a victory against the council, which spent an estimated \$35,000 bringing the case. He said he received \$7,000

Tiger ruling challenged

The Guardian Friday March 1 1996

Duniop pays over M4 crash

News in brief

an to cut TYRE manufacturers Dunlop yesterday agreed to pay nearly £600,000 in damages to four members of a family involved in a motorway accident in which a 14-year-old girl died and eight eople were seriously injured. The accident happened as the Carroll family, of Grove,

The accular nappeneous the carron name, or or ove, Oxfordshire, was travelling along the M4 near Swindon in an Austin Princess. A rear tyre on a Ford Cortina carrying five people blew out, causing the car to mount the central reserva-tion before smashing into the Princess.

Lolitz Barclay, from Bristol, a passenger in the Cortina, was killed. The Carroll family's lawyer claimed that a Dunlop SP4 165 radial tyre which blew, had a manufacturing fault, and that a huge section of tread flew off because of inadequate bonding of rubber to sheel cords below the tread.

The dead girl's family and the injured sued Dunlop at the High Court in Oxford. Lawyers for Dunlop and the Carroll family reached agreement over the figures in out-of-court dis-cussions. Judge Kenneth Wilson-Mellor will deliver his formal judgment on Monday.

Man jailed for thief attack

A FATHER of five who attacked a man who had stolen women's A Four there are a set of the set

Bedfordshire, was sentenced to four months despite the backing of 187 local people who signed a petition. His wife Sharon, 31, sobbed: "It is so unfair. Sex offenders get off with a caution. Gary is sent to prison for trying to protect his family." Timus saw Kevin Pitam near the washing lime in his back garden late at night, Ampthill magistrates heard. He followed him to an alley next to his home where he hit 38-year-old Mr Pitam in the face. Mr Pitam, who worked collecting trolleys for Tesco, suffered a fractured cheek bone. When police raided his flat, also in Flitwick they found 10-15 items of women's underwear. Mr Titmus said: "When I did it I was only thinking of protecting my family. Next time I will have to ask him in for tea and sandwiches."

sandwiches.

The petition described Mr Titmus as a "good family man and very well-mannered". He plans to appeal.

16th raid on pensioner

An 88-year-old man who can only get around in a wheelchair was stabbed and besten unconscious during a raid on his home — the 16th he has suffered in three years. John Boyle, of Gateshead,

Eulogy for 'idealist' bomber who died on bus David Sharrock on the IRA's praise for the I "He remained anonymous but his daring and courage in assisting his comrades in car-rying out a variety of attacks 'daring and courage' of Eddie O'Brien an indication of the fear the

"HE IRA yesterday gave the weekly newspaper of the its version of the life of republican movement, the year-out comber who died on a London bus almost two weeks ago, revealing that he was an enthusiastic hardliner involved in previous etteche pared to take the war to the enemy. It reveals that he joined the IRA in 1992 and involved in previous attacks in the capital, but a hopeless "slipped unnoticed" into Lon-don two years ago "while the

In a tribute by "two com-rades and friends" in An Phoblacht/Republican News, was at its height". Eddie O'Brien: 'He was the worst cook in the unit

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in the heartland of Britain's war machine did not go The tribute claims that "he was always concerned about civilian safety, and several operations were cancelled be-cause the possibility of civil-ian casualties could not be

He came to the attention of Irish Special Branch while 'Eddie's red hair defied all attempts still at home with his parents. He was arrested, and attempts were made to intimidate him out of his beliefs. "This tactic didn't impress Eddie, and when asked about the arrest by his unit to disguise it, and he was the butt of he just said 'no problem'. His instructions were to keep a low profile and pretend that much banter for it' the intimidation worked. In this he succeeded." around him had any indica-tion that he was a Volunteer The paper says that he travelied miles in search of work on behalf of the movement "and it came as no surprise to his O/C that he volunteered guise it, and he was the butt self and his father could be for active service in England, in spite of being warned that arrest or death faced him". of much light-hearted banter in spite of being warned that arrest or death faced him". The hardest thing for him was the deception, for secu-tormentors. He didn't have an republican."

rity reasons, of telling his answer for his culinary skills comrades that he had or lack of them. He was the resigned from the IRA. This is worst cook in the unit." At the height of IRA activ-ity in London he rarely left his bedsit, but refused to buy organisation harbours of informers within its ranks. or rent a television, "feeling In London he blended in — working as a labourer, play-ing football with the local pub that the unit's money would team. "His own security pre-cautions meant nobody

that the unit's money would be put to better use carrying out operations or buying much-needed equipment". As for the 17-month IRA ceasefire, "he was in total agreement with the leader-ship... But as time went on and on the British continuelly and as the British continually dragged their beels, he came to the conclusion that the British would not leave Ireand unless the IRA went on the offensive again, that no other option was left." He made his views known to comrades in London and at home in Ireland over

Christmas. Turning to the publicised divisions between him and

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China reassures Major on Hong Kong's future ANNUE LENNOX, recent recipient of the Best Female Artist award at the Brits, has won the best female pop vocal prize at the 38th annual Grammy Awards in Los Angelesfor No More I Love You's. "I really never expected to win this," said the former Eurythmic (above left). "I sincerely mean it. I can't believe For mer Eurotetic".

countries. Crucially, it comes replace their Hong Kong just two days before Mr Ma jor's own visit to the colony Peng will not take any tax Rebecca Smithers Political Correspondent tomorrow — likely to be the last by a British prime minis-ter before the handover on receipts out of the former OHN Major last night sought to defuse growing fears about the future of Hong Kong after its handover colony. Mr Major told Mr Peng that July 1 next year. The prospect of Mr Major's visit has heightened political with the handover to con nist China now less than 500 to China next year, by setting out reassurances he received

days away, the coming year will be a critical time for reas-suring business leaders that the Chinese government will not erode basic freedoms or tensions about the issue, with China's *de facto* ambassador personally from the Chinese Chinese premier Li Peng that the colony will retain "a high Zhon Nan warning the Brit-ish not to stir up any more degree of autonomy". However, the British govintroduce a more protection trouble "In the final year or so we ist regime. This message will be further reinforced in May ernment remains clearly un-happy that the Chinese ad-ministration is reference "In the final year or so we sincerely hope the British can carry out their obligations and fully co-operate ... and stir up no further trouble for Hong Kong's smooth transi-tion," he said. Mr Major said his meeting with Mr Peng had been "very worth while" and that it marked a significant thawing in the frosty relations that when Deputy prime minister Michael Heseltine leads a consider a bill of rights to pro-vide a guaranteed framework trade delegation of 250 busi ness people to Hong Kong. for basic freedoms, and also has concerns about the future At the top of Mr Major's Hong Kong agenda is the question of visa-free travel to of the democratically elected Hong Kong assembly, the Britain, where he is expected to announce significant con-Legco. The top-level intervention by Mr Major came at a onein the frosty relations that had previously existed becessions in a keynote speech on Monday. But the new bene hour bilateral meeting with Mr Peng in Bangkok. Mr Major arrived in the Thai capital last night for the Euro-Asian summit of 25 heads of fits for up to two million Hong Kong citizens are likely to spark an anti-immigration backlash back in the UK. tween the two countries. He said that among the reassurances given were that Hong Kong will enjoy a high degree of autonomy, Chinese officials will not be sent in to

state from EU and Asian Leader comment, page 8

Solicitor suspended for West jail dealings

Clare Dyer Legal Correspondent THE solicitor who repre-sented the Gloucester result of that error." serial killer Frederick West, was cleared yesterday by the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal of trying to make money by selling his client's life story. But the tribunal suspended Howard Ogden from practice for a year for bringing the profession into disrepute in his dealings with West. He was ordered to pay half the £5,000 costs of the hearing. Mr Ogden, a sole practitio-ner in Cheltenham, admitted

he was wrong in getting West to sign a waiver of confidentiality in prison without giving | decided to change solicitors." him the chance to seek sepa-

rate advice. He told the tribu- | ing he had always acted in his nal: "Through that error I client's best interests, even to have suffered greatly but I am grieved that the profession underwear while he was in can suffer generally as a Afterwards he said outside the tribunal in Carey Street, central London: "It would not be right for me to make a comment when there is a prospect of an appeal." Mr Ogden acted for West

for five months until the kill-David Swift, prosecuting er sacked him, claiming he was trying to use his connec-tion with him to make money. In a statement read out at the tribunal. West, who committed suicide while awaiting

trial, said: "He was more interested in his own interests than mine and I eventually and underwear so he could But Mr Ogden told the hear- | wear them at his trial,

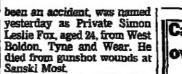
Winson Green prison, Bir mingham, awaiting trial. Mr Ogden broke down while giving evidence as he admitted errors in dealing with the confidentiality waiver, and described how he had to listen to things "too horrible to contemplate."

for the Solicitors Complaints Bureau, asked Mr Ogden why he had a drinks cabinet from the Wests' Gloucester home and a suit which had belonged to Frederick West. Mr Ogden said West had asked him to look after the furniture and to keep his suit

investigating.

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It is understood Pte Fox,

from the 2nd Battalion The Light Infantry, mistakenly picked up a rifle without real-ising there was a round in the

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Gold C estimated 35000 of night in case. He said he received 0,000 letters of support and a 201,000-strong petition against the ban. The council's decision follows Mr Aspinall's move to return to the tribunal for clarification on a new safety code a condition imposed by the tribunal, which he has said would not work. Council spokesman John Fisher said he knew the appeal would be unpopular but it was "the right course to take under law."

THE Royal Mint confirmed last night that it had been issued with a writ by European soccer chiefs in connection with a special £2 coin to be issued before the European Championships in England. David Allen, essistant director of Royal Mint marketing, told Marketing magazine: "We don't see how the coin infringes licens-ing... this is trying to push the protection of an event too far." Three million coins are reportedly due to be launched in a £1 million advertising campaign. Lawrence Abramson, speaking for Euro '96 sponsors, said: "It is our belief these coins are being marketed through the Euro '96 event, where trademark and

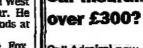
marketed through the Euro '96 event, where trademark and licensing rights have already been awarded."

Briton dies in Bosnia

Writ for Royal Mint

A BRITISH soldier, killed in Bosnia in what is believed to have

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Ministers in plan to cut 'luxuries'

David Hencks Westminster C

term plans,

dealing with their own problem The immediate savings of

PACKAGE of shortpeople to obtain the £2 billion of unclaimed benefits - has

Benefits Agency. The package — known as the "quick-win savings" plan — has been prepared for next. year's spending round with the Treasury, in advance of a much more radical plan to phoner the herificit the perific

change the basis of the benefit service if the Conservatives win the next general election. Confidential papers ob-tained by the Guardian after being leaked to Alan Wil-hiams, Labour MP for Swanpeople claim benefits. For example, benefit buses promote the social security

system on council estates. The papers also include a damning survey of customer

opinion among 3,000 claim-ants. Almost 60 per cent said The papers say: "There is no good news here for minis-ters — only HMT (the Tres-sury) are likely to be pleased." the service was the same or worse, but their views are dis-missed as coming from people "who would have a pretty low expectation of most things".

In justifying the tough Apart from family credit action, the report says: "To be blunt ... it could be argued benefit services, benefit offices are perceived to provide that some of the customers had brought their problems on their own heads, by failing a worse service than Job centres, citizen advice pureaux, and local council to take any responsibility for nousing benefit services.

between £15.1 million and £23.9 million include cuts in term cuts — aimed at the cost of telephone advice removing all services services; the end of extended benefit office opening hours; axing press and public relations officers in the prov-inces; abolishing the agency's been drawn up secretly by inces; abolishing the agency's ministers as part of a plan to national customer survey; curtail the "luxury end" of services provided by the given to claimants attending

medical examinations; and curtailing "benefit buses"." which are mobile benefits information offices. The effect of the proposals

on what the report calls the "luxury end of customer service", will be to scrap most of the services which help

sea West, spell out the savings and give more detail of long

Point of law . . . a campaigner against the Newbury bypass with a message for police at the beginning of yesterday's operation

Police evict bypass protesters in dawn raid

the sheriff as a secret tunnel is captured

*REETOP protesters at | about the raid was when a the northern end of the | dog started to bark. "Someone shone a torch and we saw these men crawling around in the undergrowth. We shouted 'Ernga' (a Celtic war-cry) then the shit hit the fan."

By this time the sheriff's men had already achieved their objective, which was to clear a number of makeshift homes on the ground. One protester was arrested as he emerged from the tun-nel which had been built to

rity officers and 100 police they shut a hidden tunnel before the protesters were

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Angella Johnson reports on a good day for blankets inside the 30ft testers may still be in hid- come out to help that we transle. He said it had been den chambers along its are able to keep the brutalwell-constructed, with side.

boards lining the sides. Nick Blandy, the under-sheriff for Berkshire, used a loudhailer to warn the protesters that he was enforcing a High Court order to quit the camps along the planned £20 million bypass route. He said later: "I am very happy with the day's work. We have cleared a good deal of homes on the ground which were their principal living accommodation."

He admitted the bailiffs had been unable to remove the vast majority of treetop

ty to a minimum."

Lady Jeanine Barber, an-As news emerged about the raid, a number of proother local resident, led a testers from other camp-sites, joined by some local people, clashed with police sit-down in front of the machinery being brought in to the site. who had cordoned off the area around the site. During the day there were numerous stand-offs Several demonstrators as protesters tried to screaming as they tried to stop bulldozers and cherry-pickers — hydraulic platreclaim lost ground, though they were vastly outnumbered by police and

private security personnel. Thames Valley assistant forms used to remove chief constable, Ian Blair, said his men had tried to be people from trees — moving in. At least one protester was led away limping after police used horses to clear a even handed."We are not dealing here with lawful protest. Individuals occupublic path.

Isabel Strang, who has lived near the common for pying the site are required, as everyone else is, to obey

BRITAIN 5 Code to save historic finds

Maey Kennedy Heritage Correspondent

HE Government is to introduce voluntary reporting procedures for the estimated 400,000 his-toric objects found each year by those using metal detectors

Most are never reported or recorded, so the archaeological information, usually more valuable than the objects themselves, is lost.

If people using detectors are not working on a scheduled site and the objects are not gold or silver and so covered by treasure trove law, there is

no obligation to report them. The Government has no proposals to fund the extra work of recording objects, which would mostly fall on the county museums service. Museums are already facing sharp cuts, both in central and local authority funding. The Department of National Heritage estimates the extra cost at £700,000, regarded as conservative by museum "Nobody outside the Gov-

ernment would say anything except that the Government must pay this cost," Simon Denison, editor of the Council for British Archaeology Jour-

nal, said yesterday. In the last decade far more bjects have been found by dectectors urchaeologists.

Many archaeologists have moved from demanding a ban on metal detectors to working with the people who use them, but the climate of mutual suspicion remains.

A green paper seeking opin-ions on the proposals for reporting finds is being circulated today to all archaeologi cal and metal detectorists associations

It is being issued in tandem with a renewed attempt to reform the law on treasure trove, which dates from the Middle Ages and is riddled with anomalies.

The Conservative MP for Cambridgeshire South West, Sir Anthony Grant, will introduce a private member's bill in the Commons next Friday, with government backing. The present law applies to precious metal, and objects buried with the intention of

act as a last standing. ground. Paul Faulding, a scurrying from hut to hut in the trees using make-shift rope walkways. Small group of people for whether is the standing shift rope walkways. recovery. The bill would abolish the 20 years, said she was disthe decisions of the High gusted with the police. "I'm Court and while continuing recovery clause and bring obable to rally. to act fairly we will support ts with more than with thes According to one pro- about two months and tunnel had not been de- and it's only the fact that firmly the actions of the tester, the first they knew many sleeping bags and stroyed because some pro- local residents like myself sheriff." cent precious metal into the ambit of treasure trove.

use equipment to save girl' **David Ward**

Neil Kinsella, solicitor for EN members of a medical team performing an oper-ation on a 14 year-old girl were unable to use an old-fashioned defibrillator which might have saved her life, an inquest heard yesterday. Janine Connor, of Ashion

under-Lyne, Greater Man-Surgeons then opened Janchester, suffered a cardiac ar-rest at Withington Hospital in ine's chest and restarted her heart by massage. She was transferred to the intensive Manchester in January as she came round from a general anaesthetic for an operation care unit at Manchester Chil-dren's Hospital but died with-

out regaining consciousness, The coroner, Martin Cop-pel, asked Dr Denise Storr, ananalesthetist. If the result would have been different if a defibrillator had been used immediately. "It is possible but by no means probable,"

Operating team 'unable to aid of the old machines: "I had never seen this particular equipment before."

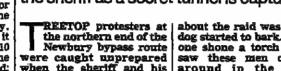
Janine's family, asked the surgeon, David Whitby, whether he did not think it extrordinary that, out of 10 doctors, none could use the old defibrillators. He replied:

to pin back her ears. None of the doctors could operate either of two ma-chines brought into the

before a more modern defi- she said. "It was a very seri-

attack





when the sheriff and his men came calling in a pre-dawn raid to evict them from Snelamore Common yesterday. Thirteen people vere arrested.

suits with "Sheriff Office" on the back and wearing full-face riot masks

About a dozen bailiffs dressed in dark blue boiler

wooped at 5am. With the help of 200 secu-

brillator was found and used. ous situation. Norbert Kang, a surgeon. The inquest continues.

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The lights are going out in Bremen as Vulkan lays off workers. Ian Traynor reports on the mood in a former German boom town

Jobless crisis grips shipyard city

out. The north German port, home to a proud seafaring and shipbuilding tradition, is sunk in gloom and anger as the rising tide of German unemployment washes over the city.

The mood is indescribable, totally miserable," says Peter, a Bremen native. "Thirty years ago this was the best place in Germany. Now it's the worst. It gets worse every

Peter is a joiner at Bremer Vulkan. Germany's biggest shipbuilding group which is on the brink of bankruptcy and filed last week for protection from its creditors. The group employs 23.000 in Germany including more than 2.000 in Bremen. They've been promised their wages for the next three months. But

Peter is not waiting. "I've just handed in my notice." he explains. "that cians just laugh. way I might find something else before the trouble really starts when this place closes

He points across to the north Bremen dole office handily situated opposite the Vulkan yards. "When they pay these people off, there's going to be unrest and that'll be the first target. They'll storm that place."

In its death throes, Bremen resembles a German Tyneside or Clydeside. Rock stars are organising benefit con-certs for the Vulkan workers, actors offer their services. The other day the city's shops closed for the morning in solidarity with the threatened workers.

perform.

Social Democrats.

But even before the Vulkan debacle, Bremen was western Germany's unemployment blackspot, Together with the adjoining port of Bremerhaven, the city forms the smallest of Germany's 16 federal states. Its jobless rate ---13.6 per cent last month, almost 20 per cent in Bremerhaven - outs it in a league of its own in what was West

Germany These are the official rates. Real unemployment is higher. While the government in Bonn huffs and puffs about unemployment being its "number one priority" and issues blueprints to haive it hy the year 2000, the "twothirds society" has already arrived in Bremen. It will not be leaving soon.

tral bank called this month The economy is very poor. We've never had a situation for an urgent reform of welas bad as this before," admits fare. - Reuter.

N the docklands of Bre- Uwe Nullmeyer of the city's dorff, liberal MP and econom-men, the lights are going chamber of commerce. "It's ics guru, this week. ics guru, this week. "Five million would be very

astonishingly peaceful and calm here, all things considbitter. It could become explosive," warns Mr Nulmeyer. While the government pro ered. But that doesn't mean it can't change." motes its schemes, it is not The chamber has just conthe far right, but the opposi-tion Social Democrats (SPD) ducted a survey which found that every second Bremen who have seized on the cheap firm plans to lay off more emand nasty issue of foreigners ployees this year.

The picture is similar elseas one possible cure to the where. Unemployment na-tionally broke through the disease Last month Rudolf Scharping, the SPD floor leader, asked why 800,000 foreigners 4 million barrier last month to almost 11 per cent and a national business survey

were given work permits in Germany with the jobless rate found that firms, embarked on "rationalisation and pro-ductivity" drives, intend to soaring. Last week his boss, Oskar shed another half a million

Lafontaine, called for a halt to immigration of ethnic Gerjobs this year. Last month, the govern mans from the former Soviet ment issued its 50-point plan which it says is to bring the Union and eastern Europe running at about 200,000 a figures down to 2 million by year - because of the jobs crisis. the end of the century. Bank

ers, businessmen, and politi-Away from the nationalist far right, such talk is seen as ruthless and dangerous elec-tioneering and all the evi-"We're not on the way from 4 to 2 million jobless, we're on the way from 4 to 5 million," dence suggests that the work permits given to foreigners are for jobs that Germans said Count Otto von Lambs-

would not dream of doing. Without our good friends Dole slashed the Poles, we couldn't bring the harvest in." says a north Bavarian vintner. "We had a boy from the village working for work-shy

GERMANY'S lower house of parliament here two years ago. We had to lower tell him to work a bit faster. voted yesterday to cut pub-lic assistance by a quarter He didn't show up the next day and has been out of work for welfare recipients who turn down jobs they could ever since."

But anti-foreigner bashing goes down well among the swelling ranks of the jobless. The measure, passed by "It's only logical, isn't it?" **Chancellor Helmut Kohl's** centre-right coalition over says Peter in Bremen. "We can't afford to take them. All

objections from opposition parties, also calls for state support to raise take-home of the east is coming in here, most of them can't even speak German. When I go down to the dole office next week, I'll pay for lowly paid jobs by at least 15 per cent. wonder whether I'm in my The government hopes

this will make even the worst-paid jobs look more home town or in Istanbui." In the spotless unemploy attractive to people used to ment office, the human traffic is constant and heavy. It ina generous dole system. The health minister, cludes many non-Germans.

Horst Seehofer, called the There are 40,000 Turks liv city's nightlife. ing in Bremen, a city of half a plan a "cautious reform conducted with moderamillion. "The Turks are fully After years of accepted here today. There's no problem. But if Vulkan tion". But it seemed unlikely to win approval from neglect a French the upper house of parlia-ment, controlled by the closes down, the situation could become explosive and department people could turn against for eigners," says Mr Nullmeyer. store is bringing

"You are restributing in-Peter just shrugs and says come here exclusively to the detriment of people who already have noth-ing." an SPD deputy, Wal-traud Lehn, said. he has nothing against for-eigners. "Look, I'm 48. It's the worst age you can be, too old to get a job and too young to get a pension. We can't go on like this. We don't have jobs any's powerful cen-

but recession for ourselves; so how can we give them jobs?" may yet defeat it

Friedrichstrasse Our correspondent n Berlin said in east Berlin PARISIAN chic returned was once the centre of the

I to the heart of drab old Berlin yesterday when the new Galeries Lafayette depariment store (above), all glass and glamour, opened its doors on the Friedrich-strasse, the centre of the city's nightlife of the 1920s which was then left to rot under communist rale.

Le tout Berlin thronged into the circular arcades built around a double glass conical structure. The well-beeled made off with slabs of *fole gras* and sacks full of French flair, but ordinary east Berliners came to gawp and lament their drichstrasse is on its wa lack of purchasing power. "I love coming to depart-Street or Fifth Avenue.

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store openings, bat then I never come back." Katherin Roskoth, a

retired graphic designer. She came to assess architect Jean Nouvel's contribution to the fast-changing face of east Berlin. "Sorry, don't like it. It's soulles away. all these circles and glass make you dizzy. It doesn't make you comfortable, it

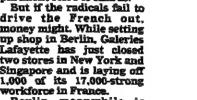
makes you aggressive." The structure and the contents --- designer clothes and exquisite foods - offer "our neighbour's capital a bit of French lifestyle" said Georges Meyer, head of the retailing chain. glass and cold."

For Eberhard Diepgen, Berlin's mayor, the store opening meant that Friedrichstrasse is on its way to becoming Germany's Bond settled in this district.

This time around there partment store to shards

lie a few hundred yards drive the French out. money might. While setting Peter Blum, aged 69, up shop in Berlin, Galeries Lafayette has just closed could recall those days. "Back then it was all littwo stores in New York and tle shops, clubs, bars and cafes. There was so much life. We don't want the sor-Singapore and is laying off 1,000 of its 17,000-strong

did bits back, but it would Berlin, meanwhile, is be nice to have the liveli-ness. Not like this: big, broke. West Berlin's economic growth is the worst in Germany. Unemploy-ment is soaring and the city The French have been coffers are £2.4 billion in the red this year. It is queshere before. In the 17th century, thousands of Huguenots bounded out of France tionable whether the 8,000 were given shelter by the Berlin authorities and square metres of retail



space, costing over £11 mil-lion to erect, will thrive.



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Connecticut whisks up the ingredients for an upset

HE slightly dishevelled figure at the bar looks up from his plate of scallops to explain that he is delighted by the field for the Republican presidential nomination. He is a Democrat and he does not believe any of the GOP hopefuls could beat Bill Clinton.

Steve Forbes, triumphant winner of the previous day's Arizona primary, is "basically a very empty-headed man". Senator Bob Dole has the mentality of a "mid-western farmer with limited vision, and limited imagination". Pat Buchan-an could not win the presidency "any more than [Barry] Goldwater could

win in the Sixties." He is the eminent novel-ist, William Styron. It is an unexceptional encounter in Litchfield County, a rarefied corner of north-west-ern Connecticut that boasts perhaps the highest concen-tration of celebrities out-side Manhattan and Beverly Hills. Henry Kissinger has a place in Kent. Arthur Miller and Dustin Hoffman

are down the road in Rox-bury. In Goshen, the hot-test topic is how Ivan Lendi leapfrogged the waiting list for membership of the

country club. Litchfield County is a pic-ture postcard slice of affluent New England. It is also the kind of bas-

cally for a redneck water-ing hole, the mention of Mr tion of moderate Republi-canism that Mr Dole hopes will help him crush the up-Buchanan elicits guarded responses

start pundit-turned-presi-"I voted for Goldwater in dential candidate, Mr Buchanan, when most of the so-called Yankee states '64.'' said Stephen Mordenti, who writes for 64." the local paper, the Watergo to the polls on Tuesday. bury Republican American. "I love screaming conserva-Mr Buchanan's surprise win in nearby New Hamp-shire sent a chill through tives, but Buchanan's crazier than I am." Mr Dole has the support

these twee little towns where a growing proporof the state's youthful tion of home-owners are wealthy New Yorkers who Republican governor, John Rowland, and three of its owe their good fortune to five Republican congressthe very corporations he has publicly villified. men. He also has the only campaign up and running, with 500 volunteers.

"People are scared to death of Buchanan," said one weekend resident who works for a New York mer-chant bank. "He's just such Colorado. Georgia. Mary-falls over."





Celebrity corner ... Locals include William Sty (top) and Arthur Miller Styron

a direct threat to my livelibood. If he got in, I might as well just go home and play with my dolls." Even in what passes lo-

muter towns. paign like we're behind," said Chris Healy, the lobbyist in charge of the Kansas senator's campaign. All of which is music to

The theory is that by next looks like mayhem, two Tuesday — when five New crazy boxers punching each ate petits fours from Potel & England states as well as other in the head till one Chabot and Lenotre. Smaller

mitterrand's widow says politics was his mistress

land and Washington hold Alex Duvel Smith in Paris their primarles - organisa-tion and resources will be

more important than the "retail politics" at which Mr Buchanan is so adept. **GUESTS** at the wedding of François and Danielle Mitterrand watched aghast as the ambitious young politi-cian disappeared to a political meeting before the cake had even been cut. That was in "He hit every town in Arizona, but when you get into the powerbroker states that doesn't work," said David O'Brien, a merchant 1944 and Danielle, still in her banker who admires Mr Buchanan but says he will probably vote for Mr Dole. wedding dress, insisted on ac-companying him.

Mrs Mitterrand's memoirs, published yesterday, reveal that she soon realised that her husband was as much in love with politics as with her. She paints the next 51 years "He's the only one who can win and the big money's going to get behind him." Even if the genteel folk of Litchfield County do come - until his death on January 8 - as an adoring, old-fash-ioned marriage between a simple, country girl and an intellectual giant who deout for Mr Dole on Tuesday it will be with little enthusiasm. Although the most recent

poil here gave Mr Dole a 19-point lead over Mr Buchan-an. with Mr Forbes and the erved only to be revered. The late French president former Tennessee governor Lamar Alexander all but out of sight, Connecticut loved her so much, she said in interviews ahead of the publi-cation of En Toutes Libertés as the ingredients to pro-duce an upset. The state's economy was ravaged by the slump of the early 1990s. Mr Buchanan's tirades against corporate

the diagnosis in 1990, two years before the rest of France. Critics were disappointed yesterday by the book's fail-ure to touch on Mrs Mittertirades against corporate fat-cats and trade agreements could resonate in the depressed suburbs of Hert-ford and along the state's coastal rust-belt. rand's reasons for inviting Anne Pingeot, the late presi-

"I like Buchanan because he is a rouser like myself," said Michael Bartolini, dent's mistress, and Mazar-ine, his 21-year-old daughter with her, to his funeral.

Mrs Mitterrand, aged 71, simply writes: "It tever bothered me to share his life. either in its happy moments aged 57, who was laid off from his job as a chemical researcher four years ago and now works as a part-time postman. "These com-panies are making lots of or in the sad ones. I have never felt the need to lie and what went unsaid was suffimoney, but more and more ciently revealing not be trick-ery. To all those who love us, François and Danielle remain people are getting laid off while the executives are getting oversize bonuses." Chastened by the results inseparable."

She does not hide her dis-dain for "the court" with which she made herself unof Tuesday's Arizona pri-mary. Mr Dole's workers are also worried that the popular during her husband's 14 years at the Elysée Palace. media blitz Mr Forbes is expected to unleash in neigh-bouring New York will spill She asked the staff of the over into Connecticut compresidential palace to install a kitchen in its private apartments, to use potted Christ-"We're running a cammas trees and to show her monthly accounts of catering expenses. "It was a waste of time. Such a well-oiled ma-chine was not going to endure questioning from a passing first lady. So for 14 years, we Mr Styron's ears. "This

caterers never got a look-in."

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Bangladesh

crackdown

sparks riots

Arshad Mahmud in Dhaka

WO people were killed

and more than 20 injured

in clashes between opposition

demonstrators and paramili-

tary forces in the Bangladeshi

port city of Chittagong

vesterday. The clashes occurred when

security forces opened fire on

thousands of demonstrators in

an effort to quell continuing violence sparked by Wednes-day's arrest of the mayor, Mohiuddin Chowdhury.

News of his arrest spread

rapidly and fires were raging in the port city — the hub of

demonstrators went on the

rampage torching buildings and vehicles.

Although no reason was given for the arrest of Mr

Chowdhury — who heads the

the main opposition party in

the city, the Awami League — he is widely believed to have been picked up as part of a crackdown on the opposition.

At least five main opposi-tion leaders have been ar-rested in the past four days, and the daily litefag news-paper reported that the gov-

ernment has targeted more than 4,000 opposition activists.

The ruling Bangladesh Na-ionalist Party has apparently hardened its resolve to quell dissent following recent elections which were boycotted by

all the main opposition parties A general strike was observed in the port city yester-

A court has ordered the arrest of former ministers and other senior politicians for corruption, writes Suzanne Goldenberg in New Delhi Indian scandal spins out of control

est political operator, the prime minister P. V Narasimha Rao, as a special

court ordered the arrest of 10 politicians yesterday, includ-ing former ministers. Three of the 10 resigned from the cabinet in January

after being charged with corruption in a £12 million bribes-for-favours scandal linked to alleged illegal for-eign exchange deals. They are V.C. Shukla, the parliamen-tary affairs minister known for his loyalty to Mr Rao; the agriculture minister, Balram Jakhar; and the human resources development minis-ter, Madhavrao Scindia. Another Congress (I) politi-

cian named yesterday, the former food and civil supplies minister, Kalpanath Rai, is already in jail awaiting trial on

an unrelated case. A spokesman for the Cen-tral Bureau of Investigation said the politicians did not necessarily face immediate arrest. They must present themselves to the special court in New Delhi between March 11 and 15. "It simply means that the people have to be produced in court on those dates," the spokesman said. One of the accused, L.K. Advani, the leader of the

NDIA'S corruption scan-dal galloped beyond the granted bail by the high court control of even that will-yesterday afternoon. The scandal will undoubt-(about £8,500) spending limit

edly be the main issue in the in a country where the aver general election widely ex-pected to be held in April. Despite opposition claims that Mr Rao has been using the affair to eliminate his eneage constituency has 1 million voters.

"The system has broken down and this is the fallout," said Rajinder Puri, the politi mies, yesterday's ruling cal cartoonist who moved the makes clear that the supreme supreme court to speed up the investigation into the court judges directing the investigation will not be cowed. | scandal

The system has broken down and this

is the fallout. The entire political class is being discredited, without exception'

But it also raises doubts about the viability of India's "The entire political class is being discredited, without any exceptions. The public is political system. Twenty-four politicians

disgusted by all politicians." have been charged in what is emerging as the country's widest-ranging corruption scandal. More than 100 senior Also facing arrest warrants are Arjun Singh, who broke away from the Congress last summer; the former deputy prime minister, Devi Lal; the politicians and bureaucrats figure in the diaries of a wealthy industrialist, S.K. ormer energy minister, Artf Mohammed Khan; and the former finance minister. Jain, who kept track of payments made to secure govern-ment contracts, or for cam-Yashwant Sinha — all mem-bers of opposition parties. But although several main parties have been tainted by the scandal, it is evident that paigning in the 1991 general

lection The scandal highlights the fact that the bureaucracy the ruling Congress (1) will does not move without bribes pay the heaviest price.

The arrest warrants wer issued as the government way coming under heavy attack in the last parliamentary session before the election, an onslaught which may imperil the interim budget.

Mr Rao, scowling and hunched deep into his chair, has appeared only briefly in the parliament this week, despite opposition efforts to drag him deeper into the

"The objective of the gov-ernment is to loot the people. The objective of the Congress government is to make money on the sly." Somnath Chatter jee, a senior figure in the Communist Party of India (Marxist), told the parliament

Barlier this week, an oppo-sition MP claimed he had been offered bribes to shore up support for Mr Rao's minority government in a 1993

ence vote. 10-001 And yet another scandal looms for Mr Rao, when the supreme court takes up a case in which the Congress (I) is crused of framing the former Janata Dal prime minister

V. P. Singh. A BJP leader, Atal Behari Vajpayee, has already accused Mr Rao of receiving money from Mr Jain. How ever, the police say there is insufficient evidence.



Brothers in arms Members of the Hindu nationalist BJP demonstrate in support of narty's president L. K. Advani, in New Delhi yesterday

Bahrain struggles to keep a lid on unrest as fat years come to an end

Political violence has cost 16 lives since December as clamour for a parliament grows, lan Black in Manama writes

T IS business as usual at | ble on many walls. Others sa-Spelkn ADDEFAMIR 31-Meridien Hotel, stretching Jamri, a militant cleric now in jail. One says ominously: Death Mohammed bin out luxuriously on a private causeway into the placid "Death to the al-Khalifa." Mubarak al-Khalifa. "It's not Portrayed officially as the "father" of his people, Sheikh Isa bin Salman al-Khalifa is an waters of the Gulf: the bomb going to work here." damage has been repaired and the guests, Bahrainis and Suspicion about opposition intentions is based on the foreigners, are used to the seold-fashioned dynastic leader. familiar argument of Arab curity checks by now. Elsewhere in the capital, all who has seen his tiny country governments facing Islamist transformed from British challenges: elections won by seems caim. But beneath the gloss of government PR and bright, confidence-inducing tutelage to independence and fundamentalists. they warn, staggering prosperity. Now it faces painful recession. will be the first and last. Yet such suggestions are Brutality may not, as its friends say, come "instinc-tively" to this regime, but signed to maintain Western stories in the loyal local press, fear is easy to detect as a once-prosperous island state faces an uncertain future. The Meridien bomb was the turning point it came in mid-'You can solve things by force for this January, killing no one but setting alarm bells ringing as year, or next year, but not for 20 years' simmering unrest among Bahraini Shi'ites took on a support, easy enough for a country that houses the US navy's Gulf headquarters. So new and dangerous form beavy-handed treatment night raids on villages, mass Three more blasts, the latest last weekend, have caused dismay about the effect on tourism and the financial serarrests and beatings in detenare repeated claims of Iran-ian-backed subversion. tion - is commonnlace. Bahrain is still a far cry Some even say, without any evidence, that the bombs are vices sector - but no deaths. Sixteen people have died since from Iraq or Syria, police states with informers at every turn. People seem scared, but a promise of anonymity by a December 1994, when riots the work of government erupted during a marathon inagents deliberately trying to make facts fit the conspiracy theory — though diplomats reject this. It is far more likely that the militants are volving runners of both sexes foreign journalist is enough In outlying areas like Bani to guarantee a torrent of com-Jamrah village, feelings are running high: black scorch plaints - and explanation. "This is not about Islamic revolution," insisted a middle-aged Shi'ite. "We marks from burnt tyres scar raising the stakes. Economics explain much are agents for Iran. the scrubby ground and the want the same emir and the angry slogans scrawled on the same crown prince, but we want a parliament and work block houses warn of "Parliament is the solufor Bahrainis. The govern-ment just wants people to keep their mouths shut." tion" is the most common one, half-erased but still visi-**News in brief** US base 'told SA to stamp capital. - Reuter.

a real crackdown began. Demands for a parliament, the government insists, will not be met. "We will not have Westminster-type downer

is starting to understand its predicament. Media policy has become a touch more lib-eral. Trouble is now reported

a couple of days after it hap-pens, rather than not at all.

tative council - majiis al-shura - is to be expanded.

More emphasis is being put on vocational training. But

there is little money to lubri-

Political constraints are a

problem too: Saudi Arabia will not allow any whiff of de-

mocracy so close to its restive Shi'ite eastern provinces.

cate change.

And the traditional consul-

day, and opposition leaders have threatened an indefinite

Last autumn, when mass rallies were being held in mosques, and politics and religion became inseparable, Corruption, made easy by a

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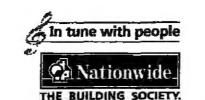
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nama, a successing protes-sional man — under surveil-lance, he claims, by the police special branch — said: "This government is starting to think like Saddam Hussein that if you are not with them you are against them. It's too easy to say that people here

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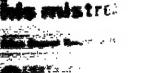
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Tweaking a Tiger's tail

Trade talks must not obliterate human rights

as a new bridge between Europe and Asia, launching a new era of coopera-tion between the EU and the tigerish economies of the East. It is to be a joyous relationship, based on "business trust", between the former colonialists and the new economic ones, forged in the spirit (says President Chirac) of "mutual regard". This is a magnificent vision but it is not exactly the truth.

The initiative began two years ago in a speech by Singapore's Prime Minister which envisaged a "tripolar economic world" comprising North America, Europe and East Asia. Whether these three groups could build strong ties with each other or not, he said, would determine whether global prosperity and indeed world security - could be sustained. This resolutely economistic approach to the contemporary world has been reflected in the pre-summit spin doctoring. It has an element of truth in it at least in the negative sense: if such a triangular relationship does exist, then the Europe-Asia axis is by far the weakest side of it. But the causes of this will not be easily dispelled by what is supposed to be a feel-good summit. Not far beneath the surface is a perception of inequality exactly the reverse to that which used to obtain in colonial times. Put crudely, the EU needs "mutual cooperation" with Asia more than the other way around which is why Commission sources have been so anxious to insist that the EU is "not approaching Asia as a supplicant". In reality Asia enjoys a very favourable trade balance with Europe while the level of EU direct investment in the labour rights, action to stop the traffickregion is negligible compared with that of the US and Japan (which for the for the arms trade, and endorsement of purposes of this equation should be the right to peaceful expression of removed from the Asian side). Cer- views. Unless such issues are addressed tainly the Asian countries would like to | the summit will make a tawdry start gain better access to European markets, which in the long run will earn little but the strongest urge in this dialogue | real respect in Asia.

THE BANGKOK summit is being billed | is the reverse in which Europe seeks to latch on to one of the world's fastestgrowing markets.

A second motive on the European side, also hard to articulate, is the fear that East Asia after all may not be the zone of tranquillity still taken for granted only two or three years ago. The easy assumption had been that geoeconomic partnership would supplant geo-political contention. This always took a lot for granted in a region which sia in the future. Now a new arms race is under way across the region while an assertive China, long falsely accused of

expansionist ambitions, is suspected by many of having begun to show them. No wonder then that the Europeans have headed for Bangkok nervously asserting that they have no intention of risking potential discord by speaking too loud about Aslan human rights abuses. The European Trade Commissioner Sir Leon Brittan has pronounced in terms which would gratify Sir Humphrey: the question of human rights has not been excluded from the dialogue, he said, and the heads of government will discuss it "to the extent that they wish". That is (with the possible exception of Portugal on East Timor) as little as possible. Of course protest has to be tempered by diplomacy but this is ridiculous. If it is embarrassing to address individual countries' abuses, there is no shortage of general themes: the Human Rights Watch organisation has identified a number of particular Asian relevance including protection of ing of Asian women, a code of conduct

A railway built with subsidies

But is it really the taxpayer who is being taken for a ride?

AT LONG last, nearly a decade later | fast rail link it was going to receive than it should have done and after one (which would have gone underground est U-turns in recent mem



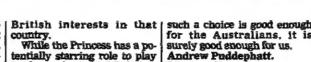
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governments are the most

AVING had some expe-rience of representing my country abroad. may I take the liberty of offering the Princess of Wales some more serious advice than that of Professor Norman Stone (Goodbye Charles, Hello! Falklands, February 29), in the hope that she still wishes to embark on an ambassadorial career? To the ex-tent that diplomacy still has to do with hearts and minds, I cannot think of anyone better qualified to represent us. I have just two words of warning. The first is that Brit-ish ambassadors are strictly Her Manager 1

ish ambassadors are strictly Her Majesty the Queen's rep-resentatives, and the Princess will need to be on good terms with Buckingham Palace. The second is that diplo-matic life is not quite the glamorous, champagne-soaked business of most Guardian readers' imagination. As the Scott report has revealed, it often involves trying to sell unedifying things to nasty people. It also involves either practising a cynical economy with the truth or telling home truths to people who would much rather not hear

the government of the day. Using these powers, govern-ments can make treaties, dehem Even if the Princess in mind a more caring role than ments can make means our that of the conventional diplo-that of the conventional diplo-that of the conventional diplo-that a ments can make means our clare wars, take away our democ-rights and abuse our democ-Even if the Princess has in



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in the projection of Britain's Director, Charter 88. image overseas, she would be well advised to take some ex-**8-11 Pine Street** London EC1R 0JH. pert coaching. David Gladstone. **YOUR** editorial describes how the Prince and Prin-cess were "trying something public on behalf of the nation" (Former High Commissioner, Colombo, and Charge d'Affaires, Klev.) 1 Mountfort Terrace,

and failing. The breakdown of families seems to reflect the breakdown of our communi-ties with all the resultant YOU are right to argue that any debate on constitusocial distress. Perhaps at this point of failure of the royal tional reform cannot ignore couple's marriage we and they could reflect on how we can rebuild real community so the position of the royal family (Leader, February 29). Regardless of the behaviour of our current royal family, the question is whether anyone should preside over a state by virtue of their birth. The that, should a marriage fail, there is more support, more care, available for all involved — not least the children. We Labour Party is already pledged to abolish hereditary peers in the Upper Chamber. all need to appreciate how we are stakeholders in our

communities. (Dr) William West. it takes no great logical leap to question the hereditary prin-ciple in the head of state. Royal power is vast and often above the law. Very little Lecturer, Counselling Studies Centre for Educational Needs University of Manchester, Manchester M13 9PL. of this power is today exer-cised by the royal family per-sonally. Most has accrued to

To cheer us up, may I hum-bly suggest that the Mil-lennium Fund should com-mission our greatest living composers to write the music for this unique state occaunderstanding.

... and another divorce story that is giving cause for concern

SOPHIE RADICE'S article | proposals as they stand would (Stuck in the middle, Feb | have a devastating effect on ruary 21) was based on a false premise. She stated that a women's rights in divorce proceedings. There is no evidence that a mandatory one-year waiting period and a move to mediation would reduce "bitterness, hostility and resentment" or be better for children. Government amendment would allow children to ap-pear before a judge and argue against their parents on the grounds of "substantial finan-

cial or other hardship". The Government amendment would not allow chil-dren themselves to apply for an order barring their parents' divorce. It would allow a spouse to apply for an order preventing divorce on the grounds that dissolution for the majority of women go-

of the marriage would result in substantial financial or other hardship to that spouse or a child of the family. In such cases the court will look or objective evidence that dissolution would result in aubstantial hardship.

In cases where the court is looking at questions relating to where the child will live after divorce or how much contact that child should have with a non-resident parent, it is clear from the Children Act that the welfare of the child is of paramount importance. The court must take account of the child's ascertainable wishes and feelings in the light of the child's age and

Mediation as oppos legal representation is not ap-propriate where the parties have unequal bargaining power, which is still the case

ing through divorce. However, the Family Law Bill would make mediation effectively obligatory by imposing a presumption against legal aid for representation by lawyers. And the increase to a one-year waiting period would allow men ample time to dispose of or conceal their

Lucy Anderson. Rights of Women, 52-54 Featherstone Street, London EC1Y BRT.

WE WERE surprised to read in your final sen-tence that £2 million is currently spent on mediation. Would that even that relatively small amount were true. There is as yet virtually no national government funding for family

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orme the Channel Tunnel. Remember, a decade ago the Channel Tunnel itself was authorised by Mrs Thatcher as long as it was entirely financed by the private sector. She applied the same criterion to the building of a high speed rail link which should have been built simultaneously (as it was in France). But, totally unsurprisingly, the private sector couldn't make enough income from ticket sales to justify a railway needing considerable environmental safeguards including long underground stretches.

Now the Government has relented and with the passion of the converted is recklessly hurling subsidies at the private sector. The winning consortium will receive £1.4 billion of the £3 billion cost as a straight subsidy. On top of that it will be given the spanking new Eurostar trains worth an estimated £450 million, an £80 million depot in West London, St Pancras station plus various other valuable assets including 120 prime acres around Kings Cross worth goodness knows what and a similar Even these days, when the concept of endowment of land at Stratford. To the mixed economy is becoming a discomplete the irony it will also get tant memory, surely natural justice Nicholas Grimshaw's stunning new ter- demands that the taxpayer become a minal at Waterloo built for £130 million stakeholder in the project. The Audit within budget and on time by the un- Commission should step in forthwith to fairly maligned British Rail. Unfortu- ascertain just how much the taxpayer is nately, by the time it was completed the being taken for a ride.

IS II nea Londor ory, the Government has finally given | doned. Why? Because Lord Parkinson, the go-ahead for construction of the 68-1 then Transport Secretary, insisted it mile fast railway link from London to must be built without subsidies (thesame Lord Parkinson who later turned up as chairman of one of the consortia seeking huge public subsidies, but that's another story). What is disgraceful is that if today's subsidies had been available then, the fast rail link would by now have been completed instead of having to wait until the next century.

It is tempting to let the matter rest there and wait patiently until the consortium - which combines the very impressive engineering might of Ove Arup and Bechtel with the market nous of Branson - gets the damned thing built. But there is still a crucial question of public ethics. If all the extras are added in, the taxpayer will be putting up a minimum of nearly three quarters of the cost of the project (which the consortium will own for 999 years as opposed to the seven-year contracts granted to privatised rail franchises) while getting nothing in return. Labour claims that the total public subsidies and assets amount to nearly £6 billion.

No room at the estate agents

Squatting agencies are a good idea whatever Brighton says

THAT'S squatting for you. Just hours | angry. Ironically, the current council before Britain's first estate agency for leader who opposes the plan and talks squatters opened up, bailiffs moved in of adequate existing provisions was yesterday and removed the social entre- once a squatter himself in the 1970s. preneurs. Their aim had been to pro- Perhaps he should be reminded of the vide homeless families in Brighton squatters who emerged in the late 1960s. with lists of empty property in the They began by confronting local Lontown. There were to be photographs of | don councils but ended with an agreethe property, full descriptions and ment that allowed them to take over addresses. The initial portfolio com-prised over 1,000 properties including short-term basis. The statistics have shops, offices as well as houses, but only got worse since then as low-cost local council statistics suggest the total housing - because of government cuts number of empty homes is 2,500. Brigh- - is in even shorter supply, and the ton was selected because it has one of number of homeless people is even the highest rates of homelessness out greater. The current housing bill will side London. One big difference be only exacerbate the situation by sevtween the new agency and the older erely limiting the responsibilities of model was that the staff had no door | local councils to house homeless famkey to hand over. Another was that no lilies and introducing arbitrary time fee was going to be charged.

new premises which it hopes to open the first but will not be the last town to today. Predictably, local councillors are have a squatting agency.

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limits on their duty to provide tempo-The agency already has its eye on rary accommodation. Brighton may be

that even the most innocent of pilgrimages, undertaken with the purest of motives, can lend themselves to misinterpreta-tion. Mrs Bhutto has reacted with restraint, but more thinskinned rulers might be readier to sense a deliberate snub. In that case, it would not

Final cuts

YOU report (Mawhinney lays in TV 'left bias', February 29) that a BBC spoke man has dismissed Brian Mawhinney's comments on the party political bias of The Final Cut and other television drama on the basis that L a former deputy chairman of the Conservative Party, wrote the original book. Having ig-nored my earlier public pro-tests about the television adaptation, the BBC now seems intent on forgetting that those

of course, there is an honourable role for partisan drama. My objection was that the BBC Drama Department introduced bias into an adap-tation in a manner which was not present in the book, and which they knew I would find objectionable. In doing so, I believe they acted unprofes-sionally and neglected the responsibilities owed to an anthor.

It would be preferable if the BBC's spokesman could deal with the merits of Dr Mawhinney's argument rather than trying to avoid rather than trying to avoid them by misrepresenting my position. Or perhaps this is the same BBC spokesman who at the time suggested that the funeral depicted in The Final Cut of "Britain's first female and longest-serving prime minister" had noth-ing to do with Margaret

Michael Dobhs. Bilshay Dairy Farmhouse, Dottery, Bridport, Dorset DT6 5HR.

HE Audit Commission has proposed 338 calls as a way for the public to make non-emergency calls to the police. leaving 999 for emergency calls. That neatly leaves 666 for calls to H M Government. Just which cabinet minister ought to answer them? F Robin Harrison. 28 Beaumont Road Totton SO40 3AL.

Penny Jaques. 7 Stanley Road. Oxford OX4 1QY. Please include a full postal address, even on e-mailed letters, and a telephone number.

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avid defenders of the monar-chy -- they have much to lose if the mystery is revealed. It is surely inevitable that, on his Six Songs for a Mad King; and of course. Sir Michael Tippett, with the at some point in the future, we the people will be asked how we wish to choose a head of state, either by an accident of Julian Meldrum. be the Princess herself who birth or through the hallot 85a Halesworth Road, feit the blow-back so much as box. If Prince Charles believes London SE13 7TL.

sion? My list includes: Sir Andrew Lloyd-Webber, with something like Don't Cry for Me, Argentina: Sir Peter Max-well Davies, with variations

Jonathan Evans MP Parliamentary Secretary to the Lord Chancellor's Dept. Selborne House, 54-60 Victoria Street, London SWIE 6QW.

THE perspective of women on divorce has been widely ignored in discussions about the Family Law Bill. Unfortunately your leader (February 9 Tavistock Place, 23) follows this trend. The London WC1H 9SN.

ediation service We welcome the Lord Chan cellor's proposals to fund mediation in future via the Legal Aid Fund but are extremely concerned as to the survival of all our charitably funded ser-vices until that happens.

Sheena M Adam. Thehna Fisher. National Family Mediation.

Labour's defence on terror

quotations about Labour's | a review been announced osition on the Prevention of ferrorism Act (Commentary, February 29). The recommen-(Hansard, March 8, 1995, col February 29). The recommen-dation which the Shadow Cabinet is making to the Parliamentary Labour Party -- that year. Its terms of reference are we should not vote against the in line with what I asked. This order for the renewal of the Act --- is fully consistent with the position adopted by John Smith and Tony Blair. In the debate last year, having ex-plained that we had long supported the need for anti-terror ist legislation, I said: "Three things are ... in dispute: the power to make exclusion rders, which are a form of internal exile; the absence of a judicial element in decisions to extend detention; and, above all ... the need for a general and comprehensive London SWIA 0AA.

UGO YOUNG was unusu- | review of anti-terrorist legisla-ally selective in his use of | tion." I continued: "Had such 357). The review was announced on January 9 this was that the "review should be conducted on the basis ... of the Government's working assumption that the ceasefires are intended to be permanent" (col 359). We are currently preparing our evidence to Lord Lloyd's review. We will reaffirm our objections to exclu-sion orders and we will press for a judicial element in decisions to extend detention. Jack Straw MP. Shadow Home Secretary,

A Country Diary

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GLOUCESTERSHIRE: By this | ers. We let the flock make stage of a long, hard winter. their own judgment for, even the beasts of the field are, when hungry, sheep are very unless given supplementary feed, seriously hungry. There particular about their hay and will only tackle bales is little nutritional value in winter grass and most of it has been nibbled bare by grazing beasts. Our small flock of Herdwicks live a privleged life and, as a conse quence, are a little on the plump side. They get a regu-lar breakfast of cereal or compressed silage buts and a generous ration of hay. Our hay is always bought in at this stage for, even if I do make a crop of hay in the summer, it the gate to get their rations as is usually more by accident a keen northerly wind put an than design and has been edge on their appetite. Comeaten up months ago in the mercial farmers, if they are first weeks of colder weather. Running the heavy field mower over the pasture last July, to stop the grass seed ing, did give, after four days on a normal cycle; that is one the public purse has been left ing, did give, after four days on a normal cycle: that is one with British Rail, very little of toasting in the warm sun of that has not been chemically of which is likely to be summer, a worthwhile yield altered to give early lambs. So summer, a worthwhile yield altered to give early lambs. So of sweet smelling hay but that ewes are in the later stages of has long gone and we are pregnancy and very much at dependent on bought-in bales risk if undernourished. from a number of rival suppli-

which still smell of the sunlight of golden June. 1 was talking, on Sunday morning, to the tenant of the land below us — a 20-acre field on which a combination of 50 ewes and some beef stock are kept. He was feeding his sheep at the time -a 25kg sack of ewe nuts went into dispersed troughs and a bale and a half of hay into the baler. Hungry ewes came pouring through not prepared to face the costs COLIN LUCKHURST



FIND it rather interesting ing concepts of dominance that people like Archdeacon and power, reflecting the George Austin should believe that God is male because "the Bible describes God in male

culture of the time. If the good archdeacon delved a little furterms and we should follow scripture, not modern feminism" (God in a skirt inflames cleric, February 28). The main reason why God is described in male terms is that Semitic languages like Aramaic and Hebrew, spoken

God be portrayed then? Marc Loewenthal. in ancient Palestine, have only two genders, masculine and feminine, with masculine as the natural way of express-101 Wrottesley Road, London NW10 5TY.

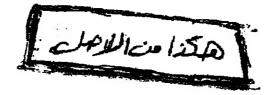
Now it's thieves on the tracks WHEN our son was four he from Morine Jeffers's purse spotted a £5 note in the by Railtrack is theft. by Railtrack is theft. Jane P Sutherland. gutter outside Watford Junction station and we handed it 47 Hatherley Road, in as lost property (Letters, February 29). The staff showed him the spot in the safe where it would be kept and reassured him that in three months, if it was not Reading, Berkshire. HOW can Railtrack justify taking 10 per cent? It costs no more to handle a \$50 note than a fiver. "Custom claimed, he could have it. ers" pay through the nose as it is. Why should Railtrack Three months later, the note was exactly where it had been turn their misfortunes into put. The clerk gave him a additional profit? John Spencer. cheque for £3 explaining that there was a "handling 38 Earlsfield Road charge" of £2. So much for London SW18 3DN Lopdon SW18 3DN. trying to inculcate good moral standards. ALES of lost wallets and

purses should come as no surprise. A sizeable chunk of

As HANDLING charge for of which is returned. the time of collection of Simon Rake. goods, is acceptable. But the 42 rue de Trévise,

Theion's kingdom's come and power, reflecting the structure of the society and

ther into scripture, he would see that St John, who wrote his gospel in Greek, which has three genders, expressed the idea of a divine entity in the neuter: "to Theion". If this example of scripture were followed, how would



Hi world of youth cultire prepares to wel-cone an exciting new punditit is John Redwood. the forher Welsh Secre-tary. Riviewing Mandy Mandeson's riveting book on this ery page two days ago, M Redwood said The Blair Bevolution was "mainy Blur, but there are oases & constitutional upheavel. Good grief. Dismissing the suggestion of any hep ("I always write my own stuff"), Mr Redwood ontinued to astound. "I watempted to add a line,"he said, "saying all copies of the book should be Pulpel, but that might have been derkill." Loath to name is favourites. Mr Redwod spoke in general terms "At the moment, we'vegot a group of bands who see pretty talented." he explained. "and writing intersting lyrics. The Lighting Seeds, that's anotherpne." (The Lightning Who3" I'm no expert." he adds sodestly, "but I do take in interest." Mr Redwoods not the only Tory with urprising musica taste — Teddy Taylor adors Bob Marley, of coure, while sources close to be confirm that the Heri age ecretary now wears a bade featuring Jaz from Babyon Zoo to Cabinet meetings - but even so.

ANDY's book, mean-while, bad its launch party at the Reform Cluion Wednesday. I alone of Mindy's intimate circle was)therwise engaged, alasfor Mr Tony Blair and Paty Prescott led an osten tatius boycott by the Labur front bench -one thakfully neutralised by a god turn-out by unreconstricted SDP types, led by no iss a chap than Roy Jen-kin. The chablis was not wated, and the nibbles weit down a treat, with Mady's own concoction of mago and musby peas the tal; of the party.

who! have thought it?

HE management of a large London venue has been warned to be esecially careful about boubs. Police explained tht they have strong intellience that the building is a kely IRA target: a mystic (with a recent success rate ofour out of nine) bas dramt of an explosion.

T"The Independent", the acting editorship of Charlie Mison, my fey Glaswegian flend, continues on its tanguil way. Having found me on Wednesday to disense with 44 jobs, Gentle-an Charlie could spare

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ature plans. And so, yester

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Charlie was seen ronning

time of writing, the office was encircled by about 100

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titles. The case begins with the Commentary way the royal family we have behaves. But it broadens Peter

Preston

archy? If so much that is closed and Scott-stained in ND SO, apparently, a lime is drawn under an unseemly period. Divorce solves all. There is, to be sure, some con-

tinuing sniping over terms, conditions and titles - the small change of big change. But very soon the ruckus will subside and royal life as normal blessedly resume. Total tosh, of course. The only lines around are wobbly ones. They straggle across constitutional sandhills

where for the first time (sav-ing Willie Hamilton's memo-rial stomp) relatively serious people are making a rela-tively serious case for the abolition of the monarchy. You may pick up a touch of that from the editorial columns on the page opposite. You will coming. The political equa-find it more explicitly tion mixes cowardice and argued in one of David pragmatism in equal mea-

British public life stems from the royal prerogative, how on earth can you truly open up one without dynamiting the other? Can these questions, and the theses that stretch be-yond them, be packaged away as neatly as solicitors wrap a final settlement?

swiftly - incorporating Char-

ter '88. Will Hutton and even

Tony Blair. If New Labour wants hereditary peers out of

the Lords, how on earth can it

stick with a hereditary mon-

Alas, there's nothing neat on offer. Labour in office may raise a logical hiatus in the Lords. But Home Secretary Straw is not going to propose any British Republic (Tidying Up) Bill as a result. Eton will become South Slough Com-prehensive before that hap-pens. No foreseeable minister from any foreseeable government is going to do more than cough and cross the road

Montgomery's Mirror Group | sure. Should members of the royal family make themselves so unpopular, so reviled in public opinion, that something has to be done, then something probably will be done. But don't hold your

breath. We are left, therefore, at the mercy of events, of unexpected or expected things that just keep happening. Here are a few likely ones, based on the fond belief that our royals are human beings under the er mine and may thus be expected to behave in approxi

mately human fashion. mately human fashion. Diana, Princess of Wales, does not disappear from the front pages. She remains pho-togenic. She does not turn tail when she sees a camera. She chooses to reside in the lavish goldfish bowl that is Kensing-ton Balace, surrounded by ton Palace, surrounded by courtiers and snappers chron-icling her every leotarded trip to the gym. Either a mysteri-ous New Man arrives in her life (in which case the coverage will grow frenetic) or there's not a chap in sight (in which case her winsome de pression will deepen into

e us all

Meanwhile, skipping citement as Sophie and Ed-lightly over the Duchess of ward prepare the new dream York and John Bryan's pend-ing Memoirs Of A Toesucker. (Let them slip round to View (Let them slip round to Vic-toria registry office on a wet we arrive at the Charles who will be King (as sighted on Wednesday night in Europe's biggest traditional Hindu Friday). The meat of the royal story is the extraordinary behaviour of extraordinary temple, somewhere in Neas-den). He is a human being too. people. It can only be stripped from the sandwich by deter-mined, relentless ordinariness. He will probably choose not At this point, obviously we're back with bicycling to re-marry. But he will probably not wish to become a monk either. More tabloid frenzy. And if, perforce, there is no one around to cheer him up, then his manifest tendency to introspective gloom will surely make him the most morose monarch since records began. Is there light at the end of this tunnel? Will the Duke of Edinburgh throw away his mobile phone? Can we rely on a buoyant Andrew to pick up the slack of missing esteem?

Let Sophie and Edward slip round to Victoria registry office on a wet Friday

Will the two young princes against all known odds for the children of such a disas-trously sundered marriage — turn out laughing and loved? There is no light, there is merely further murk. One route alone provides the glimmer of a chance: but it also involves a transmogrification so total as to invite incredulity. It dictates a com-

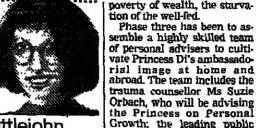
Swedes and street-jogging Danes, with a royalty so hum-drum, so available, so Queennext-door that the pag the British show and the Brit-ish expectation evaporates utterly. No string of palaces or racehorses. No extended reti nue of non-toilers and spin ners. Gowns by Moss Bros and tiaras from Debenhams. We're talking Really Boring. Maybe, with a lot of charm and even more tact, that might just contrive the vital shift. But it isn't going to hap-pen. The Queen will not opt for relative penury and obscu-rity. The cast of characters who throng her stage wouldn't vote for it anyway. The Queen of Hearts, remember, wishes to cart away all of the trappings

with her. So the effective choice is grand turmoil as usual — whilst Messrs Straw and Blair bite their lips in impotent distas

There is, for the first time, a serious case for profound eform. It will not go away. But there is no serious way no identifiable political means, of implementing it. One day, it is said, we'll all lose interest in this stretching soap. One day pigs may fly and Coronation Street lack any audience. I have seen the plete rewrite of the palace script. No stuff about happy families. No orchestrated es- | grindingly, the same. future after the great divorce. It is not different: it is exactly,

Love's crucial role in Ulster noverty of wealth the starva tion of the well-fed. Phase three has been to as-

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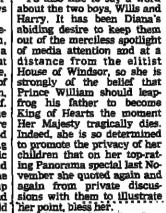
O FOR it, Di. Who wants to be Her Royal Highness, anyway? Talk about snooty. Anyone in their right minds would prefer to be Her Ordinary Caring Person. And that's what she is, not only to me but to mil-lions of women in the street too. Arise, HOCP Diana, Princess of Wales.

My first six months as Prin-cipal Media Adviser to the Princess have been an outstanding success with the people that really matter, ie you, the general public. A Sun readers' poll makes it clear that an overwhelming 73 per cent of the public support Diana to the hilt, while a further 69 per cent believe that, over the course of the next two to three years, she should settle down with Robbie Williams. And an overwhelming 85 per cent categorically state that if Princess Di were to co-host an Oprah-style chat show with Andrew Neil, they would tune

in at least once a week. Believe me, I don't hold much truck with Mr Kelvin MacKenzie, but in an official survey of subscribers to his Live TV channel, a full 92.5 per cent said they would wel-come Princess Di as the News

Bunny, no questions asked. Myself and my new assis-tant, Ms Janey Atkinson, have been busy carving out a new role for the Princess. Out goes the old put-upon image, in comes the new image of strong, independent woman, able to look after herself. First, I positioned her on the Panorama programme, where she showed her strength and independence by revealing berself as a tearful bulimic victim of royal forces beyond ber control. Phase two came on Wednesday, with her snap divorce announcement and the revelation that she would be cutting loose from the royal marriage thing by forc-ing them to let her hold on to

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wishes to extend her role as Ambassadress of Love to the her title of Princess of Wales. wider arena of peace negotiation. To give her practice in this vital field, I have inter-Number 10. She and I are aldetermined to pursue her role ready rehearsing her role as chairperson of this summer's as a roving Ambassadress of Love, taking her unique mix important Northern Ireland peace negotiations. She has decided to clutch Gerry Adstunning sexy have it all glamour to those with termiama caringly by one hand and lan Paisley caringly by the other, so that together they can shed a tear or two and nal diseases throughout the world. The poor and the starv-ing know from one look into those big, beautiful, tear-filled royal eyes that the Princess has been through the wringer just like them. And she has have a jolly good hug before has been through the wringer just like them. And she has known the worst sort of pov-erty and starvation of all: the Queen of All Our Hearts.

high tragedy). In any case, her lust for a role and a platwhen he sees the royal issue form guarante in the stalls. Faced with a stronger, more pragmatic conservative coalition, the Australian government is already reading its obituaries. Not so fast, argues **Geoff Gallop**: it win, to a social and economic revolution that shows what a Labour party can do **Keating a jump ahead**

USTRALIA'S Labour Party has enjoyed remark-А able success in the 1980s and 1990s first under Bob Hawke, who came to power on the back of high interest rates in 1983, and then under Paul Keating who defeated Hawke in a lead ership hallot in 1991. During a 13-year period in which the Australian economy grew increasingly global, and the trade cycle underwent a full run, Labour was re-elected on

four occasions. Labour goes to the electorate tomorrow facing a gener-ally better organised and more pragmatic conservative



10 per cent, compared to 5.6 in the US and 3.4 in the UK. Being targeted to those most in need, Australia's social safety net has been ex-panded. The broader social wage has also been expanded, with the housing, health, edu-cation and child-care components up by 75 per cent since 1983 and Australian workers given access to superannua-tion for the first time. Nearly 90 per cent of employees have superannuation compared to 40' per cent 112 1983 when it was a tax advantaged form of remuneration for a minority of higher-paid

workers. The Australian Council of phases three, four and five. I itale unions ai ates are campaigning vigor-ously for the re-election of the Labour government. At stake is not just their ability to exof heartfelt concern and sheer ercise national influence on behalf of their members, but also their role in the workplace itself as they face a conservative preference for individual contracts outside the umbrella of Australia's long-established Award System. In two states with recently elected conservative governments, and where labour-market deregulation has been lia — Labour's vote is holding wall

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pre-determined patterns.

Keating may not be able to convince an electorate, show-

ing signs of a mood for change in the guard if not in the di-

rection in which the country

is travelling, that Howard's statement of loyalty to

Labour's biggest achieve-

ments obscures a more sinis-

ter reality. For all their power

at national level, some trade

unions have been losing

members and influence in the

workplace, weakening their.

campaigning bite. For his part, Howard is also offering

a range of (probably unaffor-dable) inducements to the

electorate through tax cuts and tax rebates. This constel-

ation of elements makes the

1996 conservative challenge a

particularly awkward one for

abour. But in going into the elec-

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Orbach, who will be advising the Princess on Personal Growth; the leading public benefactor and tireless char-ity worker Mr Mohammed al Fayed, who will be in charge of inter-governmental liaison; the successful Captain of Industry Mr Ernest Saunders (international accounts); and Mr Noel Gallagher (speeches, personal presentation). From time to time, this distin-guished list will be supplemented by ad hoc advice from Ms Ruby Wax (etiquette), Mr Alan Clark (police liaison),

the Marquess of Blandford (transport) and Mr Darius Guppy (personal finance). At the moment, we are busy

establishing — phase four — the Princess's official Embassy of Love at a site just off Sloane Street, very conve-nient for Harvey Nichols and Harrods and within easy reach of a good supply of the homeless. The Princess is de-termined to perform her am-bassadorial duties in the most appropriate manner. With this in mind she is delighted to have attracted artistes of the calibre of Pulp, Garbage and Buckethead to perform at

her annual Embassy of Love "Ex-HRH of the Year Awards", to be compared by royal friend and confidante Mr Dale Winton. I'd also like to say a word

House of Windsor, so she is again from private discus-sions with them to illustrate her point, bless her. And so to phase five- in a year or two, the Princess

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ORIS the Jackal Johnson's career as Tory candidate for Clwyd South (slogan: Vote Jackal ... And Stay Lucky) has hit early trouble. In yesterday's Telegraph, the Jackal wrote an article inviting support, with the words "Vote for the author (me)" featured in the head-line. Under election law, a candidate is deemed to have started the campaign the moment he or she invites personal votes. From now until polling day, then, his total expenses may not exceed £6,000, while under "the law of treating" - a relic from rotten boroughs - it is a crime for him to buy any resident of Clwyd South a drink.

> HAVE been called by the Times's Anatole Ka-letsky and the venerable Samuel Brittan of the FT. Both were extremely distressed (Mr Kaletsky sounded close to tears) at whisper-ing campaigns linking them to "the journalist" my friend Peter Bottomley denounced in the Commons last week. Both assure me of their inno cence and I believe them. How much longer will the opaque MP remain blasé while men are in torment? For the last time, Bolmondely, name the guilty man.



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coalition of the Liberal and National parties. It is instructive to trace the history of Labour success, and conservative failure, since 1963.

The preconditions for Labour's success lay in three factors. First, it possessed a clear sense of Australia's place and purpose in the world. This has culminated in specific and unqualified sup-port for a republican future. Second, it saw the need to in-tegrate economic and social policy. Consequently radical micro-economic reforms have been coupled with systematic improvements in the social wage and the environment. Third, it has integrated the trade-union movement into the policy-making process through a formal accord, the eighth version of which cur-rently applies. It is designed

to take Australia to the end of the century and is based on the goals of "growth, low inflation and fairness lation and fairness". Under Hawke, the son of a congregational clergyman, the emphasis was on consen sus and community. Under the more class-conscious Keating, a more traditional rhetoric of us-versus-them has prevailed. Even when Keating was Treasurer and

led moves to open the econo-my to increased competition, he defined the initiatives in anti-establishment terms. Since becoming Prime Minis-ter he has placed more emphasis on an agenda that in-corporates but is not defined by micro-economic reform. This was particularly im-

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portant in the 1993 election, which the Liberal and National parties fought on a narrowly based rightwing economic manifesto inspired by Thatcherism. The pro-posed new Goods and Services Tax, unqualified support for privatisation and

deregulation, plus assaults on Labour's health and welfare initiatives, failed to attract the voters. Indeed, Labour's Throughout the 1980s and

1990s, the Liberals and Nationals have struggled to find poll-driven vision that will attract support and leaders capable of taking on Labour and the conservatives

to challenge

With elections for the nation's House of Representatives based on the alternative vote, support from minor parties and independents becomes crucial. And Labour has consistently outpolled the Liberals and Nationals in the | of the campaign.

second preferences of Australia's small but significant crop of green voters. In the aftermath of their 1998 defeat, the conservatives dumped their radical eco-

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nomic manifesto and the leader who propagated it, Dr John Hewson, Following a brief flirtation with the youthful but hapless Alexander Downer, they have turned

Labour has set an agenda for the nation which the

are reluctant

to John Howard, who led them in the 1987 election and was Treasurer in Malcom

tary colleagues he is desper-ate to win. As a result, the pollsters and pragmatists have taken over the conduct

Despite deeply held beliefs Despite deepty neid beliefs and a lengthy public record of opposition to progressive ineas. Howard is refusing to challenge some of the fundamentals of the Labour era -

universal health cover through Medicare, the social wage, multiculturalism, and environmentalism. Even on the republic, the rvatives have preferred

silence to battle, despite the Prime Minister's presentation of a formula and a timetable for the referendum which is required under the Australian constitution. According to Keating, "while Labour has been repositioning Australia for the future, John Howard has been repositioning himself to escape his

Dast Yet there is one Australian institution which the conservatives have challenged, if only with a soft sell — the system of industrial arbitration and conciliation, which goes back to the early years of the century. Just as conservative state governments have significantly de-regulated the labour market, Howard wants to move in the same direction at national level. At the same time, any notion of an accord between the government and

trade unions is anathema to the conservatives.

Labour managed to con-vince trade unions — not without a good deal of argu-ment — of the need to support increased flexibility in the workplace within the context of the legally guaranteed safety net and the accord. During the Labour era. hourly labour productivity has increased by 24.4 per cent and real unit labour costs have fallen by 5.4 per cent. There has been a significant restructuring of industry as

(most notably Australia's ver-sion of the National Health Service) and promoting the democratic process through the establishment of a repubtariffs have been reduced and public utilities corporatised, lican constitution, Labour is commercialised and, in a few campaigning on its strengths. cases, privatised. It has set an agenda for the nation which the poll-driven Although an unemployment rate of around 8 per cent conservatives are reluctant to persists, the rate of employ-

challenge. Australia is the second-lowment growth has been impressive - over 2 million new est-taxing country in the OECD, lower than Japan and jobs since 1983. There has been a marked increase in the the US. One thing is certain: narticination of women in the workforce and a narrowing of Labour's continued renegotiation of the accord, and the furthe gap between men's and ther development of the social women's earnings. An impor-tant element of the accord has wage along with economic restructuring and a responbeen increased spending on child care, with rebates recog-nising child care as a legitisible fiscal policy, have been the rocks upon which it has mate working expense. Auswon five successive elections. tralla has one of the fairest wage distributions among

Dr Geoff Gallop is deputy leader of the Labour Party In comparable economies. The Western Australia who has best-off 10 per cent of wage earners receive 2.3 times as been advising British Labour much as those in the bottom politicians.

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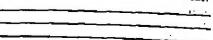
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wide range of constituencies it has cultivated. At no point could a radical Thatcherite agenda have won support, nor have the conservatives been

comfortable with the emerg-ing forces of feminism, environmentalism and multicul-

Fraser's government. Howard is quintessentially conservative but along with the majority of his parliamen-

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The Earl of Effingham

Noble art of survival

IGHT years ago the Earl of Effingham, who has died aged 90. joined a gaggle of distinguished descendants at a party at Greenwich to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the

defeat of the Armada. With him on the VIP list were William Tyrwhitt-Drake, George Frobisher, Warwick Hawkins, and the Duchess of Medina Sidonia, whose ancestor was the hopelessly incompetent commander of the Spanish fleet. Effincham could look down on her, since his ancestor was Drake's commander, Lord Howard of Effingham. Yet. though many at the party were living in reduced status and circumstances. few were so reduced as the noble earl. He was not entirely a useless peer and could not be accused of treating his Lords' atten-dance allowance totally as bunce money. In 1993, he was among rebel peers who voted referendum on Maastricht: another of his last acts.

as descendant of the patron of Shakespeare's Rose Theatre. was to support delays in building an office block dur-ing excavations on the site. But his destiny was always to have to live as affably and nonchalantly as he could with the consequences of having inherited neither money not estates from his father in 1946. His family motto was Virtue is Worth a Thousand Shields. It might just as accurately have been the phrase which recurred in his utterances from the thirties onwards: "One day I hope to pay all my creditors." Many of these utterances were prompted by public embarrassments, some of them judicial. A court fining him

for careless driving in 1936 heard that he was "practica-bly dependent" on his £7 weekly wage as a car sales-man. "I never wear a hat or coat. It sounds Spartan, but it's merely cheaper," he said when declared bankrupt dur-ing the same period. "I went there to make a bit at the



Distinguished friends' . . . Lord Effingham indefatigably clubbing with gangster Ronnie Kray, right, in 1964

casino," he apologised when the Foreign Office tried to recover the cost of repatriat-fictionalised as the nightclub recover the cost of repatriat-ing him from Ostend. His dragon in Waugh's book. The difference was that, whereas relationship with the motor car was chequered. "I no longer drive a car," he said in Mulcaster succeeded in ingratiating himself with the ficcourt in 1935. "That is wise," said the magistrate. tional "Ma". Effingham's be-trothal to Kathleen broke up Accounts of his early years in six weeks. exude the nostalgic but sour In his effort to repair such

fragrance of "Boy" Mulcaster, the indefatigably clubbing playboy in Evelyn Waugh's novel, Brideshead Revisited. Effingham was even engaged misfortunes he did a range of jobs. most of them unsteady: geese farmer. Canadian buffalo-tender, garage hand, packer, haberdasher's assis-tant, wine and spirit salesto the reasonably well-off

man, importer of coin-oper-ated dry cleaning machines and electric tin openers, House of Lords travel agent "It's expediency that has driven me into commerce," he said

In 1969, the East End gang-ster Ronald Kray named him on a list of "distinguished friends" which included Lord

sion title, Lord Howard of Effingham, became almost as famous in his middle years as that of his ancestor

although for different

He was educated at Lancing, serving with the Royal Artil-lery and the 3rd Maritime Regiment during the second world war. His three marriages produced no children. The title passes to his nephew, Commander David Howard.

Boothby. All in all, his pre-succe

John Ezard Mowbray Henry Gordon Howard. 6th Earl of Ettingham, born 1905: died Febru Novembe

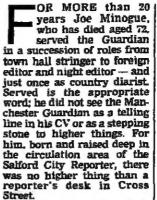
their newsdesk - learned readily from someone whose speed and skill they could not fail to admire. As a bonus, they were much entertained by his self-parody of the pawky Lancastrian. They mastery to stay right to the Chaumette entered the Corelished rather than resented médie-Française in 1957, and worked there for 30 years, becoming the idol of the very, discriminating public in that house, and also, which is very rare, of his fellow-players. his criticism of their prose style; "better put that back in the buffing shop" and his anguished call for belated copy, "come on lad, we'll soon be stopped for bobbins

else When it became apparent that he was suffering from a He, in turn, was fascinated mortal disease, he took his by them; always ready to see leave of the Comédie-Fran-caise gracefully, after some them through an unpreju-diced eye and often enough to find something worth learn-ing from them. As a lifelong disagreements with the ad-ministrator Jean Le Poulain who smoothed over what Chaumette called his "sack-ing" by making him a socié-taire honoraire in 1988. But short-back-and-sides man himself he took their beads and bell-bottoms in his stride. He was ready to praise, and Chaumette went on playing almost to the end. Last night only rarely critical openly, though he snifled and snorted in tribute. the Comedie-Franmightily at one Old Etonian

Birthdays

The Guardian Friday March 1 1996

Joe Minogue Caste versus comradeship



But once there he wasted But once there he wasted little time standing around in awe of CP Scott's bust or the dark panelling on the corri-dor (aithough he was greaty impressed by the fireplace in the reporter's room); instead he mucked in at whatever task was closest to hand. He was a creat mucker in and as

was a great mucker-in and as such soon earned respec

from those younger and greener as well as his elders and betters.

The paper he joined in the early sixties still bore traces of the old divisive gentlemen versus players factions among its staff while the practice of adding a regular intake of Oxbridge graduates was becoming firmly established. There was an atten-dant risk that caste lines night harden and men and women of promise be waste-fully pigeonholed or typecast. No one was more instrumen-tal in dissipating these dan-gers than Minogue. Newcomers to the paper — Often not quite sure of the difference between an essay for their tutor and a story for their cursdeck

vorld.



but a good comrade. Bu then

he would always be that wherever he fetched up

Harry Whewel an Wright, former m

editor of the Guardian, with No one was more surrised than Joe Minogue wha he

became the Guardian' for became the Guardian for eign editor in 1969. At that time the paper was chated simultaneously each night in London and Manchester This seemingly bizarre protice helped spread employment and responsibility: domstic news was collected an as-sembled in the South; an, on the principle that telephoing Vladivostok was equily

moured he wittily coincdthe slogan: meals on whels.) Very properly, he got the or-eign job for his sheer journalistic nous rather than ic a grand track record in intena-tional reporting. All the save, it was with some trepidaton that the boy from Salford tok on the day-to-day handling of Such reputations as Alastir Cooke, Richard Scott. ad Nesta Roberts. In the evat, Minogue had nothing to fer, nor did they: he had cut is teeth in an altogether fierer

> He was a doer, driven bya practical vision of the vale of daily journalism, able an willing to turn his hand o any task for the paper whin he loved. When, less than a year later in 1970, illnes struck down the then night editor, he seamlessly stepped into the gap and very comptently directed the gruelling production of th



Baron of European theatre

=HERE are great actors missed for insubordination tionate portrait of him in her but when I went to see Chau-who, whatever the from the Conservatoire — a rather giddy name-dropping mette in Waiting For Godot play, perform the same good sign. In 1943, he started autobiography Jujube. (1977) I was compelled by his play, perform the same role all their lives. Not good sign. In 1943, he started his career brilliantly at the Théatre Hébertot, one of the so François Chaumette, who has died aged 72. Affection-ately known as the "Baron" centres of avant-garde resis-tance, in Jean Giraudoux's of the Comédie-Française, he magnificent Sodome et Gomorrhe, parinering two sacred monsters, Edwige Feuillère and Jean Vilar. His first appearance on film played an immense variety of parts, great and small, in tragedy or comedy, in contempo-rary or classic drama.

François Chaumette

was in the same year with a small part in Marcel Carne's Les Visiteurs du Soir. His He was at home not only in the French repertoire, but in the works of European and American dramatists, with a special fondness for Shake-speare, Pirandello, Beckett, Strindherg and Lope da Vega. Among his greatest perfor-mances were his Macbeth (1995), his Shylock (1987) and his King Long (1999) which he sister Monique had also be-come a professional player, and when Vilar formed his celebrated TNP (Theatre National Populaire), Chau-mette joined her in the troupe. It was at the first his King Lear (1992), which he Festival d'Avignon in 1948 played in company with an adventurous cast drawn from that I listened enraptured to that decisive, sonorous voics

disadvantaged young people in Dom Juan. region 1 But it not until the sixties. in the early, exciting days of French television

drama, that he became well

known by a much wider pub-

lic in a number of weekly

Chaumette was a born ac-serial melodramas, chief of "presence" on stage came not so much from art as from inner conviction. He was dis-Greco, who gives a very affec-who gives a very affec-ways been bored by Beckett,

She describes how Chau-mette, the black-hearted vilend. mette, the black-hearted vil-lain of the piece, mesmerised the entire population of the Hexagon with his deep-set, piercing blue eyes, his mania-cal laugh and his biting, sar-donic delivery of the most banal lines. Yet when

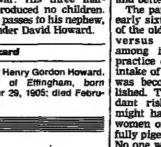
rehearsals and transmissions were over, he would return to his real self, a warm-hearted trouper with a sense of hu-mour she much appreciated.

IS performance of de mented or psychotic killer characters al-ways reminded me of Hathaway's The Kiss Of Death, but with an added gla-cial command of voice and

emotion nerving clarity of diction that

sent shivers up and down the

spine. Those qualities were very evident in his Richard III, a part tailor-made for this



cheap from London or Ian-chester, the foreign editouraditionally lived and woked in the North. Minogue had a lively and original mind. (At one sage in a varied career it is ru-



Francois Chaumette . . . mesmerised the audience

Edward Thomas

Cracking Hitler's code

DWARD Thomas, who has died aged 77. was a polymath whose broad range of interests and high intellect made him a "notural" for the vital wartune task of attacking German naval ciphers and for post-war intelligence co-ordination.

Edward was named after his uncle the poet, who died on the Western Front in 1917 and in whose honour the Edward Thomas Society, of man U-boats. which he was co-president, was founded. His education, at grammar schools and Uni-versity College, London, was of high quality but any privileges he received were earned by scholarship.

sonnel, including survivors of sunk ships. From time to time he inter rogated captured German In 1939 he joined the Royal submariners, a rare breed be-Navy, moved over to Naval Intelligence and, in keeping cause they usually went down with their boats. But Thomas was on hand in Hvalfjord when the first capwith his unusual knowledge, was assigned to Iceland in 1940. a bleak but important tured U-boat - US70 -was posting in the deadly struggle between the Allied transtowed into port in August 1941. Thomas had the chance atlantic convoys and the Gernot only to question the crew but also to examine the boat His many tasks included and its communications

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Fontainebleau. His very last

part was, appropriately, as the Ghost in Hamlet, for

which he returned to "the House of Molière" in 1994.

equipment in great detail. In 1942 he was posted to the sensitive liaison with the lcelanders, whose strategically important island had been codebreaking centre at occupied by the British and Bletchley Park, attacking the then the Americans without output of the naval version of A gifted multilinguist, flu-the debriefing of convoy per-the hardest to crack because



Thomas: 'cod war' mediaton

the German Navy was more sophisticated than other enemy forces in its use of ciphers.

The breakthrough came just in time for the climactic clashes in the Battle of the

Atlantic; and there was other valuable interception work to be done against Axis convoys running between Italy and Libya to supply Rommel until he was defeated at El Alamein. In 1943 Thomas was ap-

pointed intelligence officer of the Home Fleet, commanded by Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser and based at Scapa Flow. He was therefore on the flagship, HMS Duke of York for the Battle of the North Cape which led to the sinking of the Scharnhorst at Christmas 1943 — the Navy's last battle-ship action. Thomas was awarded the DSC.

After the war he stayed in intelligence. moving over to the Joint Intelligence

Bureau, analysing and correlating the work of the variou agencies until his retirement in 1970. His Icelandic came in handy again when he served as a mediator in the "cod

wars" with Iceland.

Thomas's "mad professor" exterior and loud voice were nisleading superficial fea tures of a man whose inter-ests — which eventually be came consuming — included music (be played the bassoon and was studying Vaughan Williams when he died), bot-

performed Dom Juan

again, with Jacques Seyres in Chaumette's old role of Dom

Luis. Chaumette will be there

François Chaumette, actor, born

September 8, 1923; died Febru

in spirit.

ary 27, 1996

James Kirkup

any and translation. During a posting in Malay-sia during the communist insurgency in the early-1950s, he discovered a plant which was eventually named after him. And after his retirement he was commissioned to translate some of the books of Helmut Schmidt, West Ger-man Chancellor from 1974-1983. He was a major contrib utor to the official history of British Intelligence in the

second world war. Timothy Laurence, husband of Princess Anne, 41; Prof James Lister, paediatrician, 73; John Napier, stage de-**Dan Van Der Vat** signer, 52; Mike Read, pop broadcaster, 45; Comman-dant Dame Nancy Robert-Edward Thomas, historian and intelligence expert, born May 16, 1918; died January 22, 1996

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wrong way and, indeed, have even been unwittingly hin-

Action. For whilst, like them. I considered the prevalence of

work ethic to be insepar

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who was se hand pram for his first-born Guardian in the North. When ever good practice fell into "state of desuetude," in Mino 50n. Journalism aside, it was his

gue's own portentous self mocking phrase, he was the best of people to restore it. war service which gave Mino-gue his deepest satisfaction. He served in an armoured dragoon regiment at the Nor Joe Minogue, journalist, born mandy landings and through

to Berlin. By all accounts, he October was not only a good soldier 29, 1996 October 20, 1923; died February

Kenny Baker, jazz trum-peter, 75; Harry Belafonte, son, former director of the WRNS, 87; David Scott Cowsinger, 69; David Broome, showjumper, 56; Douglas Bunn, founder, All-England per. solo yachtsman, 54; Mark Todd, Olympic horseman, 40; Brian Waites, golfer, 56: Sir Gerald Whent, Jumping Course. Hickstead, 68; Leslie Christie, general chief executive, Racal Tele-com pic and Vodafone Group, secretary, National Union of Civil and Public Servants, 57;

Roger Daltrey, actor and rock singer, 52; Andrew Faulds, Labour MP, actor, 73; **Death Notices**

RINGH, Norman Pranti, died on 27th Feb-rusry apid 74 Beloved hutband of Karen, lovietg taffher of Kathen, taffher-in-ter di Alan and grandfather of joshus and jacob Hile love and devotion will always ab with us and will sustain his jarniy and his many inands in bler loss Funeral service at St. Martin's Church, Hale Gardens, London W3, on Tutteday Shi March 200m Flowers welcome or donations to Cancer Reief Macralitan Fund olo WS Bond, 19 Bone, Street, Eaking WS SAP, Tel Old S47 0422 Sir Allan Green, QC, former Director of Public Prosecu-tions, 61; Doris Hare, actress, 91: Air Chief Marshal Sir wis Hodges, former C-in-C Allies Forces, Central Europe, 78; Martyn Jones, Labour MP. 49; Commander

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Early death

AT A convivial meeting of writers in Chelsea recently the talk was of how standards were collapsing, general barbarism threatened, nobody was reading books any more ... After many minutes of this, it was agreed that what the company was really complaining about was the collapse of the market for literary novels, although they agreed that the general standard of literary novels was abysmal and people were quite right not to buy them. In fact, what they were really complaining about was the obstinate refusal of the public to buy their books

Might one see a similar our culture. Why then do car element of undeclared self-inmanufacturers, wishing to terest in George Steiner's regret that nobody is able to sell a £20,000 sports car. ddress their advertisements recognise the (often obscure) quotations and references with which he presents his arguments? Or in the academics' discovery that since nobody is interested in their ects their departments and their jobs are doomed? . . A paradox, not to say a death. contradiction in all this is the continuing influence of

to some putative teenager, obviously moronic and probably doped? The explanation to this mystery may be found ... in an almost religious deference to youth that arises from our growing reluctance to contemplate our own Auberon Waugh preaches on the Gloom of the Intelligentsia from his Literary Review youth. It is from the young,

rather than from a newly enoulpit riched uneducated working class, that the real hatred of **Gross abuse** classical education comes the repudiation of history. language and literature. In WHEN driving my near-70year-old sister to London Heathrow airport yesterday America, of course, the young have masses of money afternoon we were stopped at and in time will probably a police block and ordered by have even more, but in this an armed policeman to "get country we thought we had out of the vehicle". I then had fixed the young by ensuring the horrific experience of that they were not only unlooking down the wrong end employed, and therefore penof the barrel of an automatic niless, but also unemployrifle when a PC . . . of the Metable, and likely to remain ropolitan Police over-zealpenniless for a long time. ously rested the sharp end of Having no money, youth his gun against my throat. Adding to this inexcusable act of allowing such a weapon should be unable to bring its baneful influence to bear on

to touch the person of an interviewee, it demonstrates a serious lack of proper train-ing. On asking for formal identification of the uniformed man, both my sister and I were sniggered and jeered at by the two thuggish ly behaved law enforcers. Prevention of terrorism stop and search powers are greatly to be commended, hu conducting random stops at gunpoint with such crass insensitivity is an act of gross abuse of power by inadequately supervised and trained policemen, leading to yet more lack of respect for an already sometimes discredited body. From a letter to the Spectator

from Charles Ranald

Not competent

LIKE women with a bit of experience — otherwise you might as well go to bed with a sack of spuds — but you don't want them to have been around too much. You don't want a slag. Of course, a man who sleeps around a lot is just lucky ... It's very important that women make themselves

talk about football; women always want things bought for them. Prostitution is cheaper than marriage and a perfect

be equal, but that's stupid be-cause they aren't competent enough. They can't cope with money and they can't deal with people . . . Women should be seen and not heard

because they've got nothing interesting to say. They are just something to decorate your arm.

The male of the species dis-plays itself in Marie Claire's report on the proud chauvinists.

Tender touch

IT WAS with mounting horror that I realised, on reading Decadent Action's manifesto . . that I have been pursuing my vocation of undermining



Doing something . . . Idler

arm's reach). I set about proselytising this idea with some zeal and figured that, in time, I and my dedicated band of disciples would be destroying money at a faster rate than the Royal Mint could produce it --eventually culminating in a noneyless and work-free This meant, as a drunken economist assured me, that whilst the extravagant expen diture of Decadent Action was

exerting potentially cata-strophic inflationary influence on the economy, such a catastrophe was being thwarted by the deflationary pressures being exerted by my wilful destruction of the legal tender.

Therefore I have renounced my plan . . . this has enabled me to quit all the loathsome jobs that my anti-work plan paradoxically obliged me to accept --- since it was, of course, necessary for me to earn more and more money in

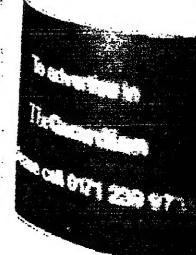
order to destroy it. So whereas previously I had slogged like Sisyphus for the long-term goal of a work-free society. I have now come to realise that I can achieve the same end

whilst lounging like a lizard ... Like the humble lizard, I have been suffering dreadfully in the recent cold spell we have been having. For, as will be readily apparent, it is best for me to limit my expenditure to items which are instantly perishable and which do not therefore represent an investment of any kind. It is for this reason that I am, at this moment, writing to you completely unclothed . . . In order to continue my vital "work" I desperately need clothing — an Idler T-shirt, for example, would be greatly appreciated. Large and blue. Thank you A letter from James O'Sullivan of Cardiff to the literature for

loafers magazine, the Idler. Mr O'Sullivan won a T-shirt for his troubles, size and colour inspecified.

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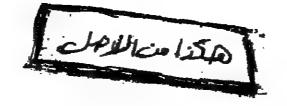


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Profits bolster radical vision



On a high ... Dick Evans with Eurofighter model, symbol of pan-European prospects for aerospace

BAe predicts Euro merger

Roger Cowe

RITISH Aerospace will lose its inde-pendence within five years during a shake up of the European aerospace industry, Dick Evans, the group's chief executive, predicted yester-

His comments came as BAe reported a robust profit performance. continuing its recovery from near-collapse four years ago - a trend seen as putting the company in a strong position for any industry wide reshaping.

Mr Evans dismissed | moves which are neces here in Europe," Mr Evans said. "We want to see consolirumours of conventional takeovers, involving either Brit-ain's GEC or the Dutch air dation taking place in a way that creates European excel-lence. If Europe is going to be craft maker Fokker. Instead, he envisaged much wider alliances and called for greater able to speak to America on urgency in creating them. The four-nation Airbus conequal terms, we have to have the same scale. We are movsortium should be reconsti-tuted as a conventional coming into a very interesting period, similar to the consoli-dation in the UK in the

pany within two years, he said, and similar cross-border 1960s. amaigamations should follow Asked if BAe would still rapidly, beginning with mis-The whole industry is in a

state of major change. The ropid consolidation in the US state of major change. The have to have companies that The results were welcomed ropid consolidation in the US can maintain national deby investors, who contrasted is a clear indication of the fence activities and access the steady progress of the past

national defence budgets. But it is likely to be part of larger holding companies." The financial results for

1995 make BAe the strongest European aerospace company. The group doubled profiles, de-spite lower sales following the sale of Rover. After exceptional items such as the profit on the Rover sale in 1994, pre-tax profits of 2234 million rep-resented an increase of only

12 per cent, but with strong ash flow and good prospects the dividend will be increased by a quarter

couple of years with the shocks of the early 1990s, when BAe was forced into an "There is tremendous dupliemergency rights issue of sbares to shore up its crumbling finances. Pete Deighton, an analyst at

derrill Lynch. said: "It is out of the wilderness. It has done more than any other company in Europe to respond to th problems in aerospace and defence. It must be in a very good position to benefit from any restructuring." Sandy Morris of NatWest Securities said BAe's finan-

cial recovery would put it in a strong position in European mergers of the kind Mr Evans

cation of effort across Europe in things like research and development. The industry is going to have to be lean and

mean. The potential for creating pan-European companies has been hampered by political and financial issues in Ger-many and France. But Germany's Dasa removed a key impediment by abandoning its stricken Fokker offshoot while the French government last week announced plans

Eurostar, the St Panreas Terminal, the odd parcel of 120 acres of property assets north of King's Cross plus the spanking new Waterloo for a merger between Das sault and Aerospatiale. Innimal

Notebook

Assets hidden in the tunnel



FTER seven years of de-lay, which have been ex-

the Chunnel itself, the nation

should perhaps be grateful that finally a high-speed rail

link is to be built. At first glance this does not

look a bad deal. Of the overall \$3 billion construction costs

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Continental Railway consor-tium has won. It has also been

given the endowment of the

In what may be the greatest piece of creative accounting of all time, the consortium

claims that all these assets are worthless, because Euros-

oposed flotation of the proct, to gain any real insight into the assets giveaway which underpins the CTRL

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Insider jeopardy

ILITARY commander Mare well aware of the importance of widening the options open to them, while simultaneously narrowing those at the disposal of the enemy.

But since 1981 British attempts to stamp out insider dealing have turned this winning formula on its head. A full-dress criminal prosecution, with the attendant beavy burden of proof, is the only option available to the authorities.

of the Channel Tunnel Rail Link (CTRL), the Government will pick up £1.4 billion. This would seem a much lower Following the example of his chairman Andrew Large, the Securities and Investsubsidy than had been as-sumed through much of the ments Board chief executive Andrew Winckler yesterday expressed a personal view about the way forward. He told MPs that insider dealers public auction process which brought success for the Branson-SBC Warburg-Bechtel should face both criminal sanctions and the possibility However; before the cries of of civil and regulatory penal-ties. Similar "thinking out loud" from Mr Large last autumn brought proposals that the offence should be triumph go up for the Private Finance Initiative, it is worth considering the endowment. Admittedly, it will be up to the consortium to find the dealt with "primarily" in the first £2 billion through the civil courts private sector and off the Gov-

This has to be right. Indeed, there should be a further dis-In fact, the Treasury has shifted its responsibility well tinction between civil wrongs and regulatory breaches. down the time frame at a Each breach should be dis-sected, with its supervisory, the civil and criminal elemen It is not simply the right to build and operate the Euro star trains that the London & separated and dealt with accordingly.

But there has to be a caveat. To prevent a Wincklar-Large set-up being dragged before the courts at home and in Strasbourg, protection against double — indeed, against double — indeed, ireble — jeopardy has to be built in.

Dollar support

THE focus of recent G7 meetings, including that

WH Smith to face trading inquiry

Lisa Buckingham

exist as an independent entity in five years' time. Mr Evans said: "It will still exist. You

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NSIDER dealers should ace "a stronger and more effective regulatory or civil alternative" to crim-inal prosecution, a senior City supervisor told MPs yes-terday. Increasing the options available to those charged with stamping out market abuse was the best way forline on insider dealing and market abuse. "In other words," Mr Car-rington said, "the people who were the subject of the regulaward, said Andrew Winckler, chief executive of the Securitics and Investments Board.

At present, insider dealing can be handled only through tion ... had the power to dis-miss the executives of the regulatory authority." Should that happen, said a full-dress criminal case. Mr Winckler, speaking to the Treasury and Civil Service select committee, stressed that his suggestions repreduty to maintain high stan sented a personal view and were not the policy of the SIB, the City's chief supervisor. He defended the role of the

Stock Exchange in detecting insider dealers; its staff bore the "heat and burden of the it, either day" in opening up such in-quiries, and the fact that cases may not appear to have been the work of exchange people may lead some to as-sume it was "asleep at the switch, when it wasn't". ment.

Mr Winckler was appearing as part of the select committee's inquiry into the future of the Stock Exchange. The SIB is responsible for supervising all investment exchanges in the country.

On Wednesday, the committee took evidence from Michael Lawrence, sacked as exchange chief executive on January 4 after his plans to change the basis of trading riled market-making firms. ment exchanges.



legations that WH Smith, Britain's biggest bookseller. is abusing its market position by imposing new terms of The SIB has told the committrade.

tee that the sacking was "pri-marily a matter for the ex-One book publisher said yesterday he was taking legal advice about how to frame a change and its members". Conservative MP Matthew Carrington asked Mr. Winckler complaint to the OFT following the decision by and his deputy, Michael Blair, whether the market-making WH Smith to demand bigger discounts and extended perilobby would, in theory, be able ods of credit. to oust an exchange chief exec-utive who was taking a tough

The Independent Publish-ers Guild, whose annual con-ilarger discounts from almost

ference opens today, said it had received many com-plaints from small publishers who wanted to debate small publishers are out-raged that the group has de-NDEPENDENT publishers are understood to be plan-ning to ask the Office of WH Smith's tactics. The OFT has not yet Fair Trading to investigate al received an official complaint

but says it will investigate any allegations which are submitted. Although it can conduct an inquiry into any potential market abuse, a

pokesman indicated yester day that the organisation was WH Smith's case. WH Smith, which is trying

to revive the fortunes of its core high street newsagency chain by discounting book prices, has decided to demand

The change in WH Smith's approach to publishers is be-lieved to stem from the introduction of new management, cided to impose new terms of the collapse of the Net Book Agreement (a price-setting mechanism) and the sluggish trade rather than negotiate a phased introduction.

This is in contrast to the performance of the group's total business, which has tactics adopted by Martins, another newsagency group with sizeable book sales, prompted two profit warnings in less than a year. Another retailer said: "We need a healthy and thriving which is trying to secure an extra 5 per cent discount

independent publishing sec-tor, and the impact of some-one behaving in this way is problematic. Smith's has gone through discussion. WH Smith, which is reckoned to account for a quarter of UK book sales, has declined to comment on any alteration to the terms on from being a benign but not very good player in the book market to being a malignant which it and its Waterstones but still not very good partici-

ISS shuns fight with Rentokil

buy a cleaning company we offer to pay around 45 per

cent of turnover. There is no

Rentokil initiated its £1.8

way we are going to pay pound for pound."

billion hostile bid for BET

two weeks ago, having been forced to declare its interest

ifter a stock market leak. It is

Mr Winckler, the SIB would i step in to fulfil its statutory Mark Milner in Copenhages

dards and integrity. He said: SS, Britain's second larges cleaning company, yester-day ruled itself out of any "I have no reason to suppose anything like this has hap-pened." Mr Carrington said involvement in the battle he had no reason to suppose over BET, the services group on the receiving end of a hos-tile takeover bid from Rento Mr Blair told MPs that the

Government did not oppose, in principle, the concept of Waldemar Schmidt, the more than one British-ba group chief executive of Coenhagen-based ISS, said yesstock market, and had fought off European Union Ideas for a "concentration" requireerday that if Rentokil won the battle for BET and wanted to sell off part of its cleaning Provided a plurality of business "their prices would be beyond what we would be

stock markets did not damage prepared to pay". He said: "They are paying transparency, fairness, price formation. anti-abuse measures and cheapness, such a

development would not be regarded as undesirable. In theory, the SIB team con-firmed, a single marketmaker could set up its own "stock exchange"; it would, however, have to meet all the criteria laid down for invest-



HE European Commis-sion, long-standing buit of British accusations that it is a power-house of ludicrous and excessive European Union regulation, hit back yesterday with evidence that the

UK is churning out laws much faster than Brussels. EU industry commis-sioner, Martin Bangemann, urged critics in Britain, especially the media, to read on it.

the commission's study | But during 1992-1994, EU | 198 rules, or 17 per cent carefully. "It will turn their universe on its head. countries notified the com-mission of 1,136 proposed The figures speak volumes. Those that shout the loudtechnical rules. This figure est have simed the most."

member states had been included. The study showed that only Germany was abead of Germany was responsible for 243 of the laws, with the UK next at 235. Together Britain in proposing new rules and the commissioner the two countries acadded that the proliferation counted for 42 per cent of national rules notified to of red tape at national level is threatening to under Brussels during the three-year period. Bonn and Lon-don have been at the foremine the RU's internal

market According to the report during the past 35 years the front of demands for BU has put in place a total of 415 directives and reguderegulation at the EU level, with both countries lations covering the single pressing the commission to market and products sold withdraw legislation.

with Italy accounting for 110 pieces of legislation, or 10 per cent. Tiny Luxemwould have been much bourg only notified four higher if the three newest new laws over the three years, accounting for less

than 1 per cent of the total. The commission said: "The level of member state regulation has been high" in every year since 1983, when governments were obliged to start notifying Brussels of planned laws. "It is not a once-for-all ac-

tivity, but a continuous flow of detailed regulation which confronts and may perplex the supplier operat-ing, or considering operatvithdraw legislation. Ing. on the internal mar-France came next with ket," the report said.

tar has thus far failed to fulfil its profits expectations.

At present, the consortium is only delivering a financial promise. But even this is hazy. All that the shareholders are putting up front is £100 million of equity, with a banking group - headed by Union Bank of Switzerland coming in with the risk fmance

Presumably, they are doing so in the certain knowledge that the train and property as sets dwarf their financial commitment. Of course, the disastrous finances of Eurotunnel, which had no public subsidy, will have given the private aector plenty of reasons to be cautious. But the Government, before giv-ing away some of the jewels on London's monopoly board, should — in the public inter-est — have fully disclosed their values.

been on the dollar-yen ex-change rate. In a year in which growth in the European economies is expected to be sluggish and the US expansion is past its peak, the ex-pectation has been that this will be the year of Japanese recovery with the OECD predicting growth of 2 per cent.

The recovery will partly reflect post-Kobe earthquake restoration of output. This would be accompanied by a weaker yen which would allow Tokyo to boost exports. The foreign exchange mar-kets have defied predictions of a strong dollar recovery. Keeping the dollar above 100 yen has been difficult. Official figures show that in February the Japanese central bank bought an extraordinary \$15.3 billion of yen to hold down the currency. Despite

this gargantuan intervention, the yen's value at the end of It does seem that any development profits will eventu-ally be shared between the February was still at 104 where it started the year. Government and London & Despite all the good reas Continental. But given the cufor buying dollars it is the US currency, not the yen, which rious accounting policies remains soft. Since interven-tion is unlikely to be susbandied around yesterday even that must be question-

able. The public will have to wait until at least 1997, and the could be imperilled.

December trade gap cheer only 'a temporary reprieve'

whole, the CSO's provisional figures indicated only a slight widening of the trade gap from £10,831 million to BRITAIN'S first surplus with Europe in more than

£11,550 million. two years helped narrow the However, City analysts said separate CSO figures for nontrade gap in December, the EU trade in January hinted Government said yesterday. that the smaller than ex-pected December deficit was a However, the release of two sets of official figures left the City convinced that the betone-off. Trade with countries ter-than-expected perfor-mance at the end of 1995 has outside the EU rose from just over £600 million to just not been continued this year. under £900 million.

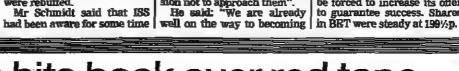
Data from the Central Sta-HSBC economist Jonathan tistical Office showed that the Loynes said the December trade deficit with all trade figures represented countries edged down in De merely a temporary reprieve. merely a temporary reprieve, cember from £574 million to adding: "The rise in the defi-2557 million, the second low-est of last year. cit points to a £1 billion-plus whole world deficit in Janu-

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The December figures in-"Looking further ahead, we cluded a £56 million surplus expect the visible deficit to with the other 14 nations of the European Union, the first since August, 1993. The deficit widen gently this year as our since August, 1993. The deficit key export markets, the US in particular, weaken and stronfinal quarter of 1995 to ger consumption at home 1573 million. For the year as a pulls in imports."

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nies offering to help put together a deal. "We know our industry quite well," said Mr. Schmidt. "We don't need offering nine new shares and 58 in cash for every 20 shares in BET. Subsequent peace moves by Rentokil's chief exmiddlemen." Though the ISS chief erecu tive expressed his admiration for BET and its cleaning oper-ations he said his company ecutive, Clive Thompson, who offered to buy just three quarters of the target company, "had made a conscious deciwere rebuffed

sion not to approach them". He said: "We are already Mr Schmidt said that ISS

subsidiary deal with publish-

more or less £1 for every | that BET might well be look- | the No 1 cleaning group in the pound of turnover. When we | ing to sell off its cleaning op- | UK. I believe we do not need erations in order to con

He said ISS had limited trate on higher margin busi resources - it has promised it will not have a rights issue

Indeed, he said, he had received a number of unsolicfor five years — and would ited approaches from brokers and other financial compa rather use those resources to build up operations in Ger-many, France and the Far

weakened again yesterday.

ing that the predator would be forced to increase its offer guarantee success. Share

East Having recovered much of the ground lost when its in-terest in BET first surfaced, shares in Rentokil suddenly Sarah Ryle

closing 14p lower at 656p. City analysts blamed a feel

12 FINANCE AND ECONOMICS

Don't rush to sign, gas customers are told

Geoffrey Gibbs

UINEA pig gas con-sumers in the South-west were advised yesterday not to rush into signing contracts for their domestic gas supply until they have seen details of all the offers that will be available once the British Gas monopoly is broken in four

The recommendation comes amid mounting concern at the level of complaints made about the marketing efforts of Sweb-Gas, the gas supply offshoot of South Western Electricity, to

persuade customers to sign up. The ferocity of competition was underlined when Amer-ada Hess wooed local consumers with the promise of "zero inflation" on their bills until the start of the year 2001. The company's marketing director, Malcolm Breton, said: "Our

Malcolm Breton, said: "Our price promise is available to anybody who signs up with us before the end of the year". From the end of April, 500.000 consumers in Devon, Cornwall and Somerset will be able to choose whether to remain with British Gas or switch to one of the many companies promising dis. companies promising dis-counts of up to 25 per cent on domestic gas bills.

cli, said customers should not make any decision until they had seen the offerings of all

tiswoode said she expected eight companies — "all of them quite substantial play-ers" — would be licensed by the time the pilot project be-Speaking in Plymouth at the launch of a consumer's guide to gas competition*, Jenny Kirkpatrick, chairman of the Gas Consumer's Coun-bolders real choice and access bill and guide access to a basic affordable power supply, the National Con-

received about gas competition all but one related to SwebGas. Yesterday, Sweb-Gas denied misleading con-

Trading standards officers in Devon have taken up the matter and say they will be talking to the company at the highest level to raise their concerns about alleged selling practices. SwebGas, one of the earliest

declared runners in the field, has dropped doorstep selling in response to the complaints, many of which stemmed from people believing they had signed a form asking for more information rather than a contract.

Clare Spottiswoode, director general of Gas Supply, said that following pressure from Ofgas, the gas industry watchdog, and the GCC, the company had changed its forms so they clearly stated contract and not application form, "There has undoubt-form, "There has undoubt-edly been a lot of confusion and it's going to upset cus-tomers," she said.

Confirming that aspiring suppliers could apply for li-cences from today, Ms Spot-

had seen the offerings of all the companies likely to enter the market — including BG. The GCC disclosed that of the 64 complaints it had

in the joint venture.



Form of influence Clare Spottiswoode in Plymouth yesterday

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News in brief

Scottish plant wins reprieve for 180

THE Government last night won a partial reprieve for an American-owned factory in Scotland facing closure and the loss of 700 Jobs. After four days of tough talking with executives of diesel engine manufacturers, Cummins, Scottish Office minis-ter George Kynoch announced the concessions would mean that the preservation of 180 jobs for the time being, with a subsequent reduction to 60.

Cummins will also look at setting up an independent ma-chine shop business at its factory at Shotts, Strathclyde, which could provide 80 jobs. Closure of the plant was announced last week as part of a reorganisation which will shed 2,000 jobs worldwide. But it prompted an outcry from workers at the 40-year-old plant, which Cummins said was not making big enough profits and had a poor long-term future. --- Press Association

Co-op invests £30m

A RECORD £30 million investment by United Norwest, Britain's third-argest co-operative, will create 750 jobs this year. A further, similar, investment is expected in 1997 as the co-op turns from concentrating on internal refurbishment to new developmen

Concentrating on internal returns superior to new developments. Most of the new jobs will be created in Greater Marchester by a co-op which operates 400 retail outlets between Stafford and the Lake District. The new investment will see £30 million spent on upgrading trading units and £10 million on new developments. It follows a £25 million investment in 1995. Most of the new jobs will be created within the food division and 100 at a new superstore at Lees, Oldham. — Martyn Halsall

cept Sheraton's offer. Clive Parr, the Park Lane chairman, said his board had **Boots sells Childrens World** been in talks with a number of parties concerning a sale. He was pleased with the Sher-

BOOTS has sold its 56 Childrens World shops for £62.5 million to Storehouse which will merge the chain with its Mothercare stores to produce "substantial cost savings". Childrens World, which supplies children's clothes, toys and baby products, has been built up over nine years by Boots.

But, although it has a net asset value of £41 million, it is barely profitable — the shops made a "small loss" in the first half of 1995-96 after reporting an operating profit of £500,000 for the the

Apart from Mothercare, Storehouse operates the British Home Stores and Blazer chains. Boots said Children's World would be better positioned within a group that has a stronger presence in the children's market. — Tony May

Trafalgar digs in over bid

TRAFALGAR House, the construction and shipping group which is the target of a possible takeover bid by the Norwegian Kvaerne group, is said to be unwilling to recommend a bid of less than 55p a share — against 47p in the stock market yesterday — which would value the group at £900 million. No move is expected from Kvaemer, Europe's largest shipbuilder, until next week at the aarliest.

Kvaerner is said to be looking over Trafalgar's operations. Yesterday Trafalgar confirmed that it had won a £450 million contract to build a steel complex in Thailand, but also learned that it had lost its bid to build the £2.7 billion UK high-speed rail link to the Channel tunnel.— Tony May

Lloyds shuts US forex

LLOYDS Bank is closing its New York-based foreign exchange irading operations and shifting the remaining treasury business to London "They've undertaken a review and decided to close the treasury operation," said Andrew Honnor, a spokesman for Lloyds. About 10 treasury staff, mostly from foreign exchange, were let

go yesterday. Mr Homor said. Approximately 50 Lloyds employ-ees would go over the course of this year. "All foreign exchange is going to stop immediately," Mr Homor said. "That will be moved to the the night dask in London." Lloyds said the closure involved foreign exchange dealing.

adding that the bank would not be closing its corporate banking, international banking and debt management units. The remain-ing treasury products desk will be moved over to London by March 31, he added. — Renter

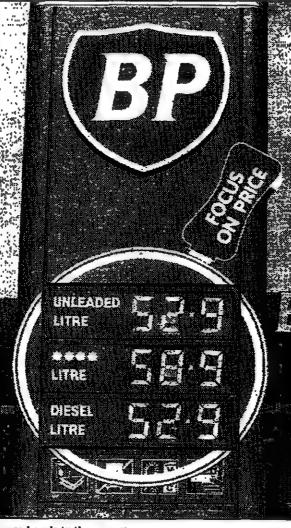
New call over docks dispute

THE Transport & General Workers Union yesterday called for fresh negotiations to resolve the five-month dispute with Mersey Docks & Harbour. Bill Morris, the union's general secretary, said be had written to Mersey Docks' management, ursing a resumption of talks to end the dispute over 329 workers dismis September after taking part in industrial action. Earlier this month, the former employees rejected a manage-ment offer to pay between £20,000 and £25,000 to each of its former port workers in recognition of past service. — Reuter



BP-Mobil pact may cost 3,000 jobs as pipeline between refineries and garages is streamlined

OUTLOOK/Joint venture designed to enhance position in Europe, writes
 Chris Barrie
 UROPE'S oil refining and marketing business up in decades following an an market in biggest shake up in decades following an an proportion to their interest to to the intermeter the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share and the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the share the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and other the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and the share of the largest in Europe. The job losses and the share of the largest in



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York and Los Angeles, the London market could support several properties under the same management. It likes the Park Lanes' location in a prestige shopping and resi-dential area, its conference facilities and large parking area and said it would gain from Sheraton's booking network.

Sheraton

buys the

C HERATON Hotels is tak-

Sing over one of the last large family-owned hotels in London, The Park Lane in Piccadilly, for 544.56 million. The hotel was

built in the 1920s by three Yorkshire families and is best

known for its art deco

The cash will be shared be-tween the 200 decendants of those families — now well into their third generation. The biggest clan are the

Bracewell-Smiths who will share some \$18 million.

Shareholders representing 72 per cent of the ordinary

share capital have given ir revocable undertakings to ac

For Sheraton, the hotel's lo-

cation in Mayfair is a big at-traction, while the fact that

there are just 20 years left on the hotel's lease made the

price attractive. Sheraton, which will take over the Park Lane in April,

already has two hotels in cen-tral London - which, it be-

lieves, remains one of Europe's most consistently profitable hotel markets and

is one of the most popular des-tinations on its worldwide

reservation system. It said that like Paris, New

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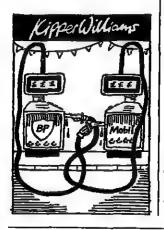
ballroom.

aton deal.

up in decades following an an-nouncement yesterday that BP and Mobil are to shed up to 3,000 jobs by pooling many of their downstream assets.

Described by BP chairman Sir David Simon as a "mid-Atlantic vision", it is designed to enhance BP and Mobil's competitive position in Europe.

The partnership will create a joint venture with sales of more than \$20 billion (£18.3 billion) and assets worth \$5 billion, operating across the European Union



chief executive officer, said savings in excess of \$400 million a year should be achievable once the downstream op erations had been combined The venture should be at full speed by 1998. Promising a "relentless" drive on efficiencies, Mr Noto acknowledged job losses of up to 15 per cent would follow in the 17,500-strong labour force staffing the combined groups downstream businesses ex-cluding service stations. Employs 15,500 people includin, 4,000 service station staff. He said: "That is not a pleas-ant prospect ... we don't take steps like that casually." But Matuli in Europe 3.300 retail outlets in 22 the two groups needed a plat-form for growth. He said: "This partnership is not based on despair or desperation. It is G Four percent market share in based on opportunity." fuels and 10 percent in By combining their activi-ties. BP and Mobil will benefit from economies of scale. The Dwns or has interests in six European refinaries with fuels and lubricants businesses in each country will combined capacity of 350.000 enjoy higher market shares and better brand awareness barrels of oil per day. than that achievable by each Employs 8,000 people including 2,000 service station staff. company on its own.

The combined group will

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rate of interest for Tailored Personal Loan - Variable

Secured is being reduced to 6.99%, a Margin

of 0.5% below Tailored Personal Loan --

Variable Secured Rate.

Cá Clydesdale Bank

proportion to their interests Mobil's service stations will be rebranded in BP colours, a two-year process costing Speaking in London and flanked by BP executives, Lu-BP Mobil \$200 million, and all sites will carry the joint venture logo which includes the company cio Noto, Mobil chairman and BP in Enrope symbol of both groups. Over time, BP's branded lubricants 5,800 retail outlets in 18 countries selling 825,000 barrels at ai products per day. may be absorbed into the Mobil range. The European Commission Eight percent market share in fuels and luoricants. was notified in advance of the deal and has 30 days in which to decide whether to clear the transaction or call for further S Owns or has interests in eight European refineries with combined capacity of 760,000 barrels of oil per day

details. If the commission opts for detailed scrutiny, a decision will be made on clearance in the next four months. BP said it would not take charges for the restruc-turing until clearance had been received. BP chief executive John Browne said it was too early to say which countries would countries selling 550,000 barrels of oil products per day. bear the brunt of the job losses. He declined to rule out further refinery closures. Mr Browne estimated that 60 per cent of annual savings would be achieved by elimi-nating duplication. 25 per cent from synergies in mar-keting and distribution, and

15 per cent from economies in activities such as procure

Fewer hands to the pumps . . .

Europe rushes to enter tiger's lair

cause it's true.'

surface.

Analysts warm to summit host, says Nicholas Cumming-Bruce in Bangkok

DISK analysts seeking a | up in 1995 and a savings Residue successor to Mexico, one year on rate that limps behind in-vestment. "Thailand on from its crash, might find paper is another Mexico,' their eye caught by the Asian "tiger" economy that is hosting the first Asia-Europe summit. says one western broker in Bangkok. In practice it cuts a different profile.

The arrival yesterday of New figures published by the Bank for International 13 European heads of gov-ernment and senior minis-Settlements show Thailand ters from three other has become the developing countries is one pointer to the economic allure of a world's largest bank debtor, its borrowings of country until recently \$82.2 billion (£54 billion) as of mid-1995 ahead of Mexprobably better known in Europe for nocturnal exotico (\$70.8 billion) and South ica. Only 10 years ago, UK Korea (\$79.3 billion). government ministers pass-They might shudder, too. ing through Bangkok played down the signifito find that 71 per cent of this debt is short-term. cance of Asian markets like Thailand as not really There are other discomforting signals: a trade deficit "our" sphere of influence. driving the current account driving the current account ever deeper into the red — 5.7 per cent of GDP in 1994 Major. Helmut Kohl, Jacand around 8 per cent by ques Chirac and fellow EU the start of this year: a rate | leaders trying to catch this | of 60 million people riding | age of GDP at the start of of inflation that also pushed | Asian tiger by the tail. In | a boom nurtured by 6 per | the decade.

the wake of the Japanese (cent real growth a year for and Americans, they belat-edly recognise this market more than 30 years. Analysts find Thailand's as crucial to the future of high levels of short-term

European industry. "It's a matter of sur-vival," Gerard Coste, French ambassador in borrowing uncomfortable but not symptomatic of a crisis lurking beneath a veneer of boom Bangkok, remarked this Thanks to high local in-

week. 'Tm not afraid to use this dramatic word, beterest rates, local bank lending and loans from non-resident baht accounts jumped from about \$429 million in 1994 to HAILAND has not won the same notice as Sin-gapore's hi-tech labaround \$5.5 billion last year, but the central bank oratory of social engineer-ing, now enjoying a higher is now acting to restrain such growth. standard of living than

The differences between Britain, or prosperous Ma-laysia. Mr Major admitted Thailand and Mexico are more persuasive than are any similarities. The baht in Bangkok yesterday: There's no doubt we have is reckoned by most anabut barely scratched the lysts to be fairly priced. The current account defi-With annual growth this | cit is part of the price paid

decade hovering around for heavy investment in in-8 per cent. Thailand is frastructure and industry among South-east Asia's that keeps Thai exports risfront-runners. Japan in particular has spotted the imports. More importantly, opportunities in a market it was higher as a percent-

China confirms Airbus deal

CHINESE prime minister Li Peng confirmed to European Com-mission president Jacques Santer that China will shortly order Airbus aircraft worth a total of 300 million ecus (£389 million), a counsission spokesman said after the two men met. Mr Li said the order would probably be followed by others, the spokesman said, adding that the Chinese premier did not specify which model of Airbus or how many planes China would buy — Extel

Hanson sell-off to raise £520m

INDUSTRIAL conglomerate Hanson, which recently announced plans to split into four, yesterday said the initial public offering of Suburhan Propane Partners, which was priced in New York earlier, would raise some \$780 million (2520 million). The proceeds would go towards reducing Hanson debt.- Reute



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Golf

Faldo sets pace only for posture

David Davies in Miami

EE JANZEN, the man not considered good enough to be selected for last year's United States Ryder Cup team, demonstrated his worth once again with a first round of 63. nine under par, in the Doral Ryder Open here yesterday. Janzen, 11th in the points list, was passed over for Cur-tis Strange, an odd decision

which was punished when Strange picked up no points at all at Oak Hill Janzen's 63 here was one stroke short of the course record set by Greg Norman and provided the only element of successful European participation in the tournament: his caddie is the estimable Dave Musgrove.

Challen Street St.

estimable Dave Musgrove, who plays his golf at Cox-moor, Nottinghamshire. The former US Open cham-pion was a stroke ahead of Mike Bradley, and nine ahead of Nick Faldo, who with a level-par 72 made a disap-pointing start in the long run-up to the US Masters in April. The start was delayed for 15 hours because of a heavy 1: hours because of a heavy early-morning mist, but when it cleared it became the sort of day for which Faldo left the

European tour. The Miami

Herald rates its local weather in terms of palm trees, from

a five-paim day: clear blue skies, a light breeze and a sun not to be treated casually.

The tournament course at Doral, one of four in the complex, is called the Blue Monster for its profusion of lakes. This weather made it more blue than Monster. The morning round comprised 68 play-ers and after nine holes 58 of them were under par. Faldo was among them, al-though his early holes were

very obviously a struggle. He birdied the long 10th by pitch-ing to four feet, but at the 11th, only 348 yards, he took an iron for safety off the tee, hoicked it into the rough, dumped his next into a green-side bunker and had to hole

side bunker and had to hole from three feet for par. The 13th is one of the Mon-ster's alleged short holes, all 246 yards of it, and Faldo missed the green. His chip pulled up six feet short and the missed putt dropped him back to level par. This was uninspired stuff from the defending champion, far removed from the name given to a burger sold around the property, the Great Faldo. It is traditional for the de-fender to be given this culi-nary honour, but it has a strange choice of content for a champion: boneless grilled champion: boneless grilled all carry across a lake - cost chicken breast. At least at him a shot.

"It was the best save I've made this season." Ken Pringle, Carlisle.



one to five, and yesterday was | \$8.75 it is the dearest item on the All Day Menu. Faldo went on compilin the pars, doing rather more posing than scoring. At successive holes from 16 to 18 he hit second shots that he felt deserved the full, end-of-

swing statue touch but which finished unremarkably. This may have been a consequence of the presence in the gallery of his current amour Brenna Cepelak, or more likely simple misjudgment. He overcame two obstacle at the 18th, however. The first challenge was to regroup after a lemonade seller cas-caded ice from one container to another. The next was to play a par-four of 425 yards rated the hardest on the US Tour. Indeed there is a plaque by

the tee, boasting that in the

the tee, boasting that in the tournament one year its stroke average was 4.66. "Can you match the pros?" it adds. "Try it. Good luck." Faldo hit a good drive and a posy second which led to a minor outbreak of foot-stamp-ing when it finished 25 fleet past the hole, yet he holed the hirdie putt, so picking up 1.66 shots on the field. A further birdie came at the long 1st but birdie came at the long 1st but the 4th — another "ahort hole", this time of 237 yards,



Route 66 . . . England's David Howell eats up the 6th hole on his way to a 66

Lawrie in vanguard as practice makes perfect

Michael Britten in Tarragona

A South Africa proved a blessing in disguise for Scotland's Paul Lawrie

A South Africa proved a blessing in disguise for Scotland's Paul Lawrie yesterday. Three weeks after failing in his first tournament of the more he check for the head

Championship and when he failed to get in he cut short his trip and returned home. "Tm not complaining, be-in Singapore and Australia, her J through the qualifying school and has already established himself in the top 50. He had an eagle and five birdies in a confident per-formance that augurs well for his prospects. "I don't feel out of place on a leaderboard," said the 20-year-old from Swindon.

SPORTS NEWS 13



Extra time Edited by Jeremy Alexander The wife, the starlet and India's captain

NDIA's captain Moham-mad Azharuddin. already saddled with a nation's Some papers have even Some papers have even accused him of a starting a expectations over the team's World Cup perfor-mance, is feeling the wrath of the moral majority after reports that he is leaving his wife for a starlet The accused bim of a starting a trend. The batsman Vinod Kambli is reported to be planning a break-up with his wife Noel after the cup. Azharuddin's friendship with Bijlani, a minor Bollywood star, has been a subject of intense press bis wile for a starlet. The press have been scathing about his affair with the film actress Sangeeta Bij-lani, and his family has threatened to disown him if speculation since last year. Last month the cricketer lashed out at photograhe seeks a Muslim-style quickie divorce from phers on a stake-out of his home and screamed at them to stop shadowing Bijlani.

Naurcen. So far Azharuddin has failed to confirm reports of his plans to leave the fam-ily home in Hyderabad for The divorce controversy has erupted just as the Muslim community seemed ready to forgive Azbarud-din for an earlier lapse. Late last year religious Bijlani and Bollywood, as the Hindi film capital of Bombay is known. Family leaders in Hyderabad accused him of blasphemy and demanded bis excommembers say they have him to reconcile with Naur-een, daughter of a Saudi millionaire, who was 16 when she married Azhar-uddin in 1987. The couple have two children munication for agreeing to autograph a Reebok sports shoe. The mullahs argued that Mohammed, the name

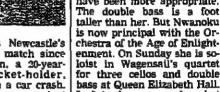
have two children. The Urdu-language press, the often immoderate voice of the prophet, and Azhar, one of Allah's 99 names, would be defiled by promotfor India's Muslim minor-ity, says the "shameless and irresponsible" Azhar-uddin is no longer a fit roleing such a lowly article as a shoe. Azharuddin said he had only initialled the shoes and he would drop the lucrative deal. model and that sports fans

> player. For a girl with a wonky leg a piccolo might have been more appropriate. The double bass is a foot taller than her. But Nwanoku s now principal with the Or-

Steven Atkinson, a 20-year-old season ticket-holder, broke his leg in a car crash. This is the big one, against Manchester United, and Atkinson will miss it. It is not that he cannot get from Row-lands Gill — his father and brother have the adjacent tickets - but that the club

will not accommodate him, The family rang to ask if they could make provision for a leg plastered from foot to thigh and crutches; perhaps he could swap with someone next to a right-hand aisle? GIANFRANCO LUNETTA. whose World Cup opening caremony was blown into a flopped hat at Eden Gardens, is proving marginally more is proving marginally more





bass at Queen Elizabeth Hall. In July she may wonder what might have been. Anne Pashley. of course, had it both ways. Having won Olympic silver in the short relay in 1956, she became a distinguished mezzo-soprano.



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11	the year, he shot 65 to head the first round of the Cata-	competed in Johannesburg I would not have come to	The Ryder Cup trio of David Gilford (70), Mark	"Under the health and safety	dian newspapers. His latest
	lan Open. His nine birdies	Spain."	James (71) and Philip Wal-	context we can't let Steven in.	tells of the character-building
U	gave him a one-stroke ad-	Lawrie spent his un-	ton (75), the defending	We told him to hire a wheel-	effects of an under privileged
	vantage over England's	scheduled break practising	champion, had mixed for-	chair and pay £16 for an atten-	childhood ("I will never buy
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П	and Fernando Roca.	the reward. He had four birdies in an outward 34.	Russell Claydon of Eng- land warked an 11 on his	full, with waiting list. The	the stupid and arrogant"), his
Н	Lawrie, 27, was elimi- nated at the halfway stage	another at the 10th, then	card at the 17th, where	club added: "We can't give	dislike for the fur trade, the
L	of the Dimension Data Pro-	four in a row from the 13th.	three referees were	refunds back on season tick-	light that glows in "Oriental"
	Am in Sun City. Then, de-	Howell had earned high	stationed to police the field.	ets because of an act of God.	eyes, and his adoration of
	spite his ranking of 107 on	praise when he finished	They were powerless to	Where would we draw the	Mother Teresa: "She is not
	the European Tour last	fourth to Ernie Els in the	prevent the Cambridge	line?"	even a woman; she is a vital
Ш	year, he found himself only	South African Open in Jan-	golfer striking three balls into the hazard, and he fin-	Not where they have. At- kinson is studying business.	Lunetta defends his show.
Н	second reserve for the sub-	uary. A member of last year's winning Walker Cup		When he qualifies, Newcastle	which was supposed to have a
U	sequent South African PGA	year's winning warker cup	Ished of 75.	could do with him - if he is	former Miss Universe un-
1				still interested.	flagged but not unfrocked. He
1					refers to "stupid and envi- ous" critics: "Among the
	Sport in brief	Results	Overalit 1, Jelabert 13hr 12min 31eec. 2. L Amstrong (US) Motorola at 2sec; 3, 1 Du-	MCC, trying to register its colours as a trade mark	'ladies' was one who was
Ш	Sport in brief		faux (Switz) Festine 3.	for neckwear [Sixth column,	practically green because of
1		Soccer	Billiards	last week), has got agitated	her bilious secretions." The
	Athletics	AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION:	BRITISH OPEN C'SHIP (Wigani' Quar-	before about its flag. Peter	wind does not abate.
	The world record-holder	First Southampton 1, Bristol C 1	Ser-finals (Eng unless slated): P dilement bl N Dagley 1.300-1141; G Settel (Ind) 52 D Causier 1706-1116.	Parfitt, the former Middlesex	
L	Colin Jackson, who has his	Golf	Causior 1708-1116.	and England cricketer, once	DILCOM , organisers of the
	eyes on an Olympic gold this	CATALAN OPEN (Bonmoni, Sp): First-	Ice Hockey	had a stake in the Tempest	World Cup, may have got lost in the Byzantine paper-
11	year, broke the Australian	P Lawrie. 66 D Howell, F Ploca (Sp). D	SETTISH LEAGUE Premier Division:	Arms at Skipton and three flagpoles outside it. He flew	work of their own administra-
H	all-comers' record for the 110	Hospital (Sp). 67 A Sherborne: J Coceres (Arg). 68 J C Pinero (Sp). 69 M Wills, J	Shefield 7 Notingham 2: Newcasile 13. Million Keynes 4 Division One: Blackburn	the colours of MCC, Middle-	tion. Income tax officials, in-
L	metres hurdles with an easy	Route (So) S Water 70 S Field, G Em-	5. Solinuil 8; Manchester 11, Guildford 2.	sex and Yorkshire. MCC pro-	vestigating the Indian arm,
L	win in Melbourne yesterday. The Welshman ran 13.24sec to	erson; I Garrido (Sp): P Baker; D Writiams: M Haliberg (Swe); G Owen, R Dreddale, D	Buffalo 3 (ot): NY Pangers 1. Boston 3,	tested and notified the	will centre on payments made
	defeat Kyle Vander-Kuyp by	Gillord; S Hurley, 71 E Romero (Arg); J	Dellas 4. Philadelphia 4 lost: Winnings 4	counties, who said they were	to overseas banks by corpo-
	three metres and shave	Ouiros (Sp), E Bolognes: III; S Webster: C Hall; A Sorensen (Don); P Nyman (Swel; E Canonica (II); M James; M Pinero (Sp); A	Toronto 3; Los Angeles 1, Tempa Bay 5. Anahemi 5, Montreal 2.	delighted to have their flag	rate sponsors. Local reports suggest that Jagmohan Dal-
L	0.05sec from the Australian's	Canonica (It); M James; M Pinero (Sp); A Oldono: M A Martin (Sp) 72 T Gocale	Real Tennis	flown anywhere. Parfitt claimed the red-and-yellow	miva, head of the manage-
Ł	mark set last August.	Oldcorn; M A Murtin (Sp) 72 T Gogele (Ger): R Muntz (Holf): M Tunnucliff; S McAl-	WORLD CISHIP ELIMINATOR (Met-	one was the Spanish flag.	ment committee, could face
L	Snooker	tister: F Valera (Sp): J Bickenton: O Rojahn (Non: M Besenceney (Fr); N Brigge; A	GB) bt F Fillppelli (Aus) 6-4, 4-8, 6-2, 6-3	Olie Mas die Obergan meb.	arrest for alleged violation of
U		(Nor); M Besenceney (Fr); N Brigge: A Collegon; D A Russell; P McGinley, A Hag- lund (Swe); E Giraud (Fr); P Sjoland (Swe).	6-2 Gooding won by seven sets to set	CONIA LANNAMAN and	foreign exchange controls.
	Andy Hicks comfortably se- cured a semi-final place in the	P Linhart (Sp); F Lindgren (Swel: J Roza-	Alpine Skiing	Beverley Goddard, Olym-	Pilcom is Urdu for buffoon.
Ŀ	£330,000 European Open with	dilla (Sp); G Ralph; M Davis. 73 B Mailoy (US); R Drummond: W Riley (Aus); M	WORLD CUP (Narvik, Nori: Women's	pic bronze medallists in the	Count applicable medat
	a 5-1 victory over the Welsh-	McLean; G Evans; M Plummer. T Spense; 1	downalik 1, P Street (US) Imin 38 38sec. 2, V Zelenskaya (Rus) 1 38.88, 3, H Zur-	4x100 metres relay in 1980,	South AFRICAN rugby Stands today where the
L	man Tony Chappel in Malta	Feliu (3p); D Sorrego (Sp), S Gallacher, R Karlsson (Swe); R Green (Aus), M Litton; P	trogen (Sentz) 1.39 33. Standings (aller seven races) 1. Street 560pis: 2 K So-	may have strings of nostalgia plucked by events in Atlanta	country stood two years ago,
L	yesterday, writes Clive Ever-	Way: 8 Cage 74 J M Carries (Sp). M Weich: C Summon: G J Brand; S Luna (Sp):		this summer. Chi-chi Nwan-	says an article in Wednes-
Ľ	ton. Hicks will now tackle	J Widener (US): A Kankkonen (Fin), R McFarlane: P Witchell; F Howler, O Sell-	Overall: 1, Seizinger 1.132pta 2, A Wachter (Aut) 891, 3, M Erti (Gen 889.	oku, abreast of them as a teen-	day's Star and SA Times In-
L	Peter Ebdon or Tony Drago in a best-of-11-frames match	berg (Swe): A Forsbrand (Swe): P Broad-	Contraction of the second s	ager (in Kent, then Reading),	ternational: "The high road
L	tomorrow to secure his debut	turist, M Morano (Sp), D Cooper: R Jac- quelin (Fr), 75 T Munoz (Sp): P Watton; A	Snooker	will play her own.	beckons, the low road threat-
1	in a final.	Cabrers (Arg): M Applant (Swel): 9 Budde	FUROPEAN OPEN (Malla): Quarter- finals & Hiless (Eng) of 7 Chappel (Wales)	At 17. roped into women's	ens." The writer is Edward
Ľ		(Den); P Curry; H Thuel (Ger); D Chopra (Swe); S Dodd; R Coles; P Harrington, C	5-1	soccer, she suffered a knee in- jury that ended all sport. Ex-	Griffiths, appointed Sarfu's chief executive last year after
L	Tennis	Post (Den); J M Cantzeres (Sp); T Planchin		plosive from the blocks,	an article in praise of Sarfu's
L	Ian Peacock, 61, chief erecu-	(Fri; L While.	Fixtures	Nwanoku, who is half Nige-	president Louis Luyt. Grif-
Ł	tive of the Lawn Tennis	Tennis		rian, half Irish, was made for	fiths was sports editor of the
L	Association for the past 10	WILAN INDOOR TOURNAMENTI Second round: A Veloce (Fiom) bi J Sie-	(7.30 unless staled)	60m but unprepared for much	Sunday Times of Johannes-
Đ	years - a period in which the number of indoor courts in	Second Young A Yourse (remin of 3 se- mentitik (Fight) 6-4, 6-4, 6 Neuralisetric (Tro- atia) bi F Clavet (Sp) 8-2, 6-4; Y Kafekal- leur (Rus) bi & Percossido (II) 3-6, 6-3,	Soccer	else indoors. She played the	burg at the time. He is chang-
Ł	Britain has quadrupled from	luer (Rus) bi & Percosolido (II) 3-6. 6-3.	AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First Division: Norwith v Charlton.	piano to high grade and the	ing jobs again. On February
L	180 to 720 - is to step down at	6-2, 2 Forget (Fr) we in stich (der) (all).	LEAGUE OF WALES: Briton Ferry +	recorder but had steered clear	12, after 327 days in office,
L	the end of September, writes	First round: J Courier (US) bt J Tarango (US) 8-1, 6-1; T Woodbridge (Aus) bt K	Lianelli. LEAGUE OF IRELAND; Premiers Bohe-	of orchestral instruments at Kendrick Girls School in	Luyt sacked him by fax. The sports minister Steve
L	David Irvine	(US) 8-1, 6-1; 7 Woodbridge (Aus) bit K Kucera (Stovakia) 7-6, 7-8; 8 Black (Zm)	mians v Silpo R (7.45); Drogheda U v Ath-	Kent in case rehearsal inter-	Tshwete is furious. The in-
Ł	Calling	ht L Jensen (US) 7-5, 5-3, Second roomt	Ions T 17.451, Si Patricks A v Derry C (7.45)	fered with training.	dustrial court is alerted.
1	Sailing	H Rice (Calle) bt G Stallord (SA) 4-6. 5-4. 6-4; M Weedfords (Aus) bt J Novak (Cz)	Rugby Union	Suddenly a lot of energy	
	Britain's Graham Walker	6-4: III Weedforde (Aus) bt J Novak (Cz) 7-6, 7-5; J Stolbusbery (Aus) bt R Rene- berg (US) 1-6, 7-8, 7-5; C Woodref (US)	A INTERNATIONAL: ireland v Wales (3.0. Donnybrook).	was in plaster. The orchestra	COR the next three days at
L	started the Southern Ocean Racing Conference Regatta	ht M Journe (US) 6-4 6-4	U-21 INTERNATIORAL: Ireland v Wales	was short of a double bass	Bingley Hall, Stafford,
I.	where he left off by winning	LTA MEN'S INDOOR SATELLITE MAS-	(3.0, Wicklow). REPRESENTATIVE: Scotlish Students V		Britain's most successful
1	the first race of the One-De-	TERS (Graydon): Semi-Coalm D Sape- fund (GB) bt L Milligan (GB) 7-5, 6-4; S	English Students (7 0. Unrerigith). SRU TENNENTS C'SHIP: Regional		dressage rider Jennie Loris-
J	sign 48 Class, writes Bob	Genoem (Mein) bi A Richardson (Cia) 6-0. 5-1.	Longues W Stirling Co v Kilmarnock. GLUBS: Ackeens v Thurnock; Bath v New-		ton-Clarke will perform to
1	Fisher in Key West.	WOMEN'S CHALLENGER (Eastleigh, Hampshurp): Second round: V Rusmo-	bridge if 15: Blama v Cross Keys 17.01.		music specially written for
1		Personal (SD) In S Drake-Brockman (ALD)	Bornunbenula y Webering (7 (D. Brisio) Y		her by Andrew Lloyd Webber. Dressage to music is a grow-
	Skiing	6-4, 8-2; I Dumangeot (Pr) DI A Obza (Ball 6-7 6-4 6-4 M Kochta (Ger) bi T	Newport: Clifton v Berry Hill (7.0). Exeler v Bricham, Gala v Northampton 17 01;	A Said	ing thing, though Loriston-
L	The American Picabo Street,	Krizan (Slovenia) 6-1, 8-3; N Decky (Fr) bi A Kerek (Ger) 6-3, 6-3; K Shikuta	Gloucester v Swanspa (7 0), Ketso v Bed- ford: Leicester v Nottingham (7.15); Mor-		Clarke will be out of the sad-
L	fresh from her victory at the	bi A Kerek (Gar) 6-3, 6-3, K Selecto (Japan) hi C Dhenin (Fr) 6-4, 6-4; A-C	views v Linedantery (7.01: Abertillery V		dle here, with horse in hand
J.	World Championships in		Lianharan (7.0), Cardill v Richmond (7.0): Dunveni v Nerberth (7.0), SW Police v Gla-		and her behind doing the
	Spain, moved a step closer to a downhill double with her	E Wagner (Ger) bi Linova (nui) - 1, 5-5 5-7. 6-3: M Drandund (Sure) bi S Wachler- shauger (Ger) 7-6, 8-3.	morgan Wades (7.0), Peebles v Alnwich		same movements.
1	a downinin double with ther third win of the season in	ahauper (Ger) 7-6, 8-3.	(6.0): Glasgow Southern v Grangemouth (7.0): Hawick v Haddington (7.0): Jed-For-	1 ⁴⁴	"The beginning of a
1	yesterday's World Cup event	Basketball	eel v Rugby (7.15): Kirkcaldy v Dundee		DASTY IS Dart of the Demine
L	in Narvik, Norway, Street,	um 4. Atlanta A3. Dustioned Bit Brothn 121	HSFP (7.15): Langholm v Mol/ose (7.15): Musselburgh v GHK (7.15).		VVA Masters and offer and
L	mmaway winner of the World	Charlotte 176 IoQ; Orlando 118. Mizmi 112; Minngootte 63, Phoenix 117. Seattle 94, De-	Rugby League		SHALLIZINS DATT OF a solution
1	Cup downhill title last year.	With the second	ALLIANCE CUP Quarter-finals Warring-	and the second second	PSYELESSION TOP the commence
	clocked a combined time of		ton v St Holens		TALESC DIPET TITTE 34-3-1 +
1	1min 39,39see over the short-	Cycling	Cricket		
L	ened course for the race, run	TOUR OF VALENCIA: Third stage (Ja- ves in Cullers, 170km) 1, G Gitterso (11) Ale	WILLS WORLD CUP: Group At Negour:		
E	over two legs because of dan-	ves to Cullers, 170km) 1, G Cittario (11) Ah Anr Samin 459es, 2, G Gorini (11) Ahr 3, M Wust (Ger) Mix Onda both same time	Australia v Zimbabwe (2.30am) Group B: Labore: Heiland v UAE (4.0am)	Nwanoku doubled up	engine driver. Stand by for the musical Nags.
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Racing

Flag flutter after Sound Man scare

Ron Cox

HE Queen Mother Champion Chase, which has promised spot of the Cheltenham Festival, is in danger of developing into a one-horse race accord ing to the bookmakers' grapevine.

Hill's yesterday shortened Viking Flagship, winner of the race for the past two seasons, to 6-4 from 7-4 and eased Sound Man to 9-4 from 15-8 after rumours from Ireland were rife that Edward O'Grady's horse had pulled up lame after morning

exercise. Earlier this week O'Grady announced that Sound Man had a problem after his latest victory at Ascot. but it would appear to have developed into something more serious judg-ing by yesterday's betting after 103 years. Ironically,

Dunlop takes top trainer award

F John Duniop makes a slow start to the Flat sea-son this year it will not be Naughton was honoured as the most promising Flat trainer of 1995. entirely surprising, writes Chris Hawkins. Naughton shot to promi-nence last season with his

sprinting filly Hever Golf Rose, and as a result has found owners failing over At a lunch in London yesterday, bosted by Sporting Index, the Arundel trainer was presented with a bottle of Louis Roederer chamwith him. pagne for every winner he

trained last season — 126. Dunlop won the Sporting Index Champion Flat trainer award while Joe Epsom.

Strong Platinum, the other trained by David Nicholson, leading Irish hope, was who led a petition to try and beaten at 3-1 on at Naas last persuade the course owners. week and is out to 41 for the Queen Mother Chase. Racecourse Holdings Trust, to have a change of heart. Klairon Davis was trimmed But attendances at Notting-

Viking Flagship looks set to go off a very short priced favourite to retain his twoham's National Hunt fixtures have been poor and the course will now upgrade its Flat programme which will mile crown. The final day's jump racing have increased prize-money. Norman Williamson Norman at Nottingham yesterday is one Mark Dwyer will want to forget. After incurring a whip returns from his latest injury setback with one ride at New-bury today, Cyrus The Great

ban, he will miss the opening in the Highclere Juvenile day of the Cheltenham Festival. Hurdle. It was at the Berkshire restrual. Dwyer, riding Master Nova, was adjudged to have used his whip with unreasonable fre-quency when finishing course last month that Wil-liamson dislocated his right shoulder when taking a crashing fall on Eskimo Nel. second, beaten a head, by Bar-onet in the Levy Board Nov-

"I saw the specialist in Reading and he was happy for ice Hurdle. Harsb economics have me to return. If the shoulder comes out again I will have to be operated on, but I'll just be trying to stay off the ground," said Williamson yesterday. Cyrus The Great pulled yesterday's winner Baronet is

very hard when second to Prophets Honour on his hur-dling debut at Fakenham and could provide Williamson's shoulder with a severe examination From a betting point of view preference is for Hand

Woven (5.00), who shaped well when fourth behind Darter at Windsor. In the opening race at New-bury, Monicasman (2.00)

looks set to avenge a Sandown defeat by Sir Leonard on 4lb better terms for just over a length. Tony McCoy's mount was returning from a lengthy absence and kept on well after blundering two out. themselves to have borses



Over and out . . . Lumberjack and his jockey, Peter Henley, part company during the hunters' chase at Nottingham yesterday PHOTOGRAPH: FRANK BARON

Kelso

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Rugby League Fiji and Tonga could replace **Australia tour**

Paul Fitzpatrick

HAOS may reign in Australia but Great Britain will still have an overseas tour at the end of this first summer season.

The game's chief executive Maurice Lindsay gave that as-surance at the European Super League launch in London yes-terday. A recent Australian court ruling effectively makes Rupert Murdoch's Super League illegal. and Lindsay conceded that a Great Britain tour might not therefore in-endo a wisht to Australia But clude a visit to Australia. But Fiji, Tonga and "other nations" could fill the void, he said.

The Sydney court decision not only jeopardises Great Britain's tour to Papua New Guinea, Australia and New Zealand but also the world club championship play-offs - worth some 33 million --between the leading eight sides of the European and can.'

No one can say what will happen to the play-offs, but Lindsay pointed out that clubs were now "bleating about losing something which they never had in the first place". When the £87 million Super League deal with Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation was first agreed, he Zealand with the ARL's chief executive John Quayle. Their said, the play-offs had not even been discussed; they

porters think it important for New Zealand to be aligned with the Australian Rugby League as in the past. in Australia, which according

they will do so. "In some ways it might be a better thing if we were to take in Fiji. Tonga and other nations. That could provide

ago." Rodney Walker, the Rugby League's chairman. said: "We will do whatever is necessary to protect Super League in Great Britain, but our concern at this stage is not to make matters worse than they already are in Australia. Our aim is to assist if we

 The Australian Rugby Australian Super Leagues. League is offering to set up a rival organisation to the New Zealand RL if the latter main-tains links with Murdoch's Super League. The ARL chairman Ken Arthurson said talks had been beld with "several key figures in New Zealand" about the scheme. Arthurson is touring New

message is that the majority of Australian players and supwere conceived some months

later. A special meeting of clubs will be held on Sunday at Huddersfield. The situation

Southwell (Flat A.W.)

Newbury card with guide to the form

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tings 1-2 Sister Stophanie, 7-4 Myblackhorn, 20-1 April Cruise, Ruby's Girl.

AFROP BETTER SYTNE GLASS (39) (D) N Taiston-Danes 7-10-10

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121114- RAFIKI (671) Mrs J Roder 11-11-5 FF220 JEN2SOPK (13) P Hoto: 5-11-5

113-9-00 THERETAL WARRION (13) J 014 8-11-2

Betting: 11-1 Mr. Playtull, 3-1 Mellion Prote, 5-1 Glengarril Girl, E-1 Propose The Teast, Sanda Point, 16-1

2.45 ERF TATTERSALLS (IRELAND) MARES' ONLY ROADE CHASE 2m SI 110yda C3.037

3.15 NEWTON ABBOT RACECOURSE HAPPY DAYS NURSERY HANDICAP HURDLE 2m (I

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Mobile Messenger; 4.30 Fantastic Fleet; 5.00 Flow Back. NEWTON ABBOT: 2.15 Glengarrif Girl; 3.15 Blue Laws. SOUTHWELL: 2.10 Double Glow, Royal Dancer; 2.40 Alkarine; Timely Example. KELSO: 2.20 Final Fling.

TOP FORM TIPS: Whiteboard 8, descripts 7, Thermal Warrier 6 Betting: 4-1 Eltis Reg. 5-1 Blestel Hero, 6-1 Thermal Warrier, Jadob, 7-1 Whilebonnet, 8-1 Hold Your Rarks, Bite Laws, 10-1 Jaccaph, 12-1 Raid 13 rusman

4.15 WIST THE TERRACE RESTAURANT HANDICAP CHASE 2m 1 10yde \$3,023

11-5331 INSTER OSDY (31 (776 ed) (CD) J King 10-12-7 600-535 LASATA (137 (D) P HODS 11-13-11 -P659 BALA BARILARDS (15) (D) (BHP P Nocols 9-11-6 -25PU1U IMMUL MESS (11) (CD) C Poptam 8-10-0

4.45 FRE CHELTERHAN STANDARD OPEN IN FLAT HAGE 2m 11 \$1,544

 DOUBLEBREWHY@S\$ M Kenor 6-11-4

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 C4-0 PALLADRUM BOY (0) Mrs J Reitor 6-11-4

 PO- RUSSELLS RUMNER (2550) N Honke 6-11-4

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6-PPFP6 CAPTARI DOLPORD (11) D Candolo 9-10-1//4/-PP SEA PATROL (39) M Pgc 9-10-4 ______ P-2250 WRITEBORGET (56) C Egenon 6-10-0 ____

13 66/13-00 MARINE SOCIETY (13) (CD) A Newcombe 8-18-0

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 21-562 AROUND THE GALE (320) D Gandolio 5-11-0

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 1-704 SUBSHIAGGE (2380) For 5-11-0

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 GOOD DEALING SHASSERI (116) (116) (117) - 10-0

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 GOOD DEALING SHASSERI (118) HOME - 10-0

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 00000-4 DUBUNCKS COUNTRY (11) Finctor 5-10-9

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 DDFA- LULA RIDGE (221) M Koentry F-10-9

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 54-0 HESS FIRSCRACKER (201) H Frast 7-10-9

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6 2-6563U ALLO GEORGE (44) (C) A Newcombe 10-10-0

TOP PORK TIPIs Beau Babiliard & Lessis 7 Bettings 6-4 Beau Babiliard, ?-4 Lassia, 4-7 Emral Miss, 8-1 Alio George.

4 ASHTAR (38) M Pipe 6-11-4 BANK AVENUE Mrs J Parsen 5-11-4

0 BID FOR TOOLS (29) A New RAJADORA I, Snoch 4-10-5

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3.45 ERF HOWICE HURDLE 2m 11 12.355

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 1/2027 - ROBER (272) (CD) R Thomson 8-13-6
 ei (3) 923-423- FREE TRANSFOR (505) D Farboirs 7-12-5 (45/#- TODDLIN NAME (1751) W Hodge 14-12-5 (7/PPP- LISNAVARAOK (573) J Parkes 10-11-12 - P/I- WHOSTBAT (1153) D Lamb 10-11-12 OF FORM TIPS: Reval Justice &. Rober 7, 08 The Bits & Bectleg: 11-8 Royal Jense, 4-1 Of The Bru, Ruber, 8-1 Free Transfer, 9-1 Loughlinstown Boy, 12-Carossel Racket, 20-1 Whoshall 3.50 HENNESSY COGRAC SPECIAL MOVICE HURDLE IN 24 \$10,740 22-1527 FOULTICAL TOWER (20) Fi Noon 9-11-3 217-21 SAITA CONCERTO (17) (2) (2) Lungs 7-11-3 STOTHERM CART A Whilens 5-11-3 5-144 PEGAY COBBOAN (85) kirs 1 Transon 6-10-12 22 SHOMARAS WAY (20) P Montemb 5-10-12 33 RAL(T&A (29) A Hammod 4-10-8 Will TIPS: Santa Concepto 8, Penuzy A Day 7, Direct Rem TOP FORM TIPS: Santa Con TOP FORM Type: sense concerpt al, realize a long 7, union many a Setting 7-4 Sank Concerpt al, realize a Day, S-1 Direct Route, 8-1 Chapted Out, Beggur Berquet, 14-Give Best, 16-1 Raiste, 20-1 Shostra's Way 13 meser 4.20 SHIP HOTEL, EVENOUTH AMATEUR REDER'S HANDICAP CHARE Do 41 C2,048 DR-003 ANTONIN (13) Mrs 35 anna Lent (13) (13) 43-8530 OVER THE DEBL (13) (13) (13) J Howard Johnson 10-11-5 43)17-2 CELUDH BOY (17) (13) Mrs 1 Googleitor 10-10-1 177221 STOP THE WALLER (29) Mrs 10 Googleitor 10-10-1 06034 GALA WATER (20) T Dun 10-10-0 The survey of the

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	C6-130 FAIR AND FANCY (57) Lites & Milligan 5-11-8	Richard Gund
3	5250- UP III FLAMES (361) M Heremond 5-10-11	B Garritty
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	340051-U ERZADJAN (13) Mrs M Reveley 6-10-6	P Kires
	00'-0601 REVE DE VALSE (29) (0) Danys Senth 9-10-4	B Handling (2)
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3.000 1, MAAMUR, A Thomton (11-4 fav);
2. Rectory Gerdan (9-2): 3. Tourcas Prince (7-1), 12 ran. 3, 13. (1 Forster) Tote: CJ30, C2.10, C1.50, C2.70, Dualf: D5.00, Tric: CJ9.90, CSF: C15 12. Tricast E73.24 Non Ruther Kalanski.
3.30c 1, HOODWINKER, T Jonks (5-1 co-lav of threa); 2, Zaistoon (10-1); 3, Silver Standard (12-1); 4, Jovial Alan (20-1), 19 ran 6, 1, (W Janks) Tote: CS.20, C19, 00, CS40, C3.60, Dual F: C15.90, Tric: C73.00, CSF, C55 11, Tricast C549.01, 10, Coral (12-1), 14 ran. 6, 5 (Miss J Picipeon) Tole: 22.30; C1.10, C2.70, C1.80, Dual F: C22.90, Tric: C33.70, C3F: C15.20,
4.00c 1, JUST FOR A RELASON, A Palmise (5, m); Caraci CSF: C15.20, 2.20: 1, BOI DU NORD, G Tormey (7-1); 2, River Wye (3-1 (av); 3, Poly Sercen (30-1) 20 ran, 25, 10. (P Hobbe) Tote: 54 70; 52:40, 52:00, 531:40, Dust F: 53:00, True \$25:50, 12.00. 031.40. Dual F: 03.00. Tric: 0225.90. CSF: 032.06. 2.80 • 1, SOUTHERRN MINISTREL, Miss C Metcallie (5-1): 2, Pro Bone (33-1): 3, Outok Rapor (14-1), 11-4 fav Synderbor-ough Lad. TI ran 8, 7, (N Chamberlain) Tote 123.60; 51.30, 56.80, 03.40. Dual F: C162.80. Tric: 123.06 06. CSF: C123.20 NR: Lislary Lad, Sanghöraes, Sword-Ash. S-80; 4, LAND OF WONDER, Mr R Hicks (8-1): 2, Royal Irish (7-1), 4, Chantleringy (10-1). 15-8 fav Not Quite While. 10 ran. Nr. dist. (Mrs C Miccal) T: C19.10: C24.0, C22.0 (23.10 DF: C29.30. Tric: 165.10: CSF. 658.43, 3-80; 4, UNIVERSAL BACAC, G Bradloy (13-11, 2, Penning Pride (5-1): 3, Gather-ing Time (33-1), 9-2 jm-lav Airtrak. Gion-

L22.90, 17(2) (257-175-22, 4.30: 1, JUST FOR A REASON, R Painter (55-3); 2, Ready To Draw (4-3); 3, Hely Wanderer (4-1) 7-2 (av Toute Bagafle, 19 ran, X, X, (D Murray Smith) Tote (254-20;

Bettings 4-1 Augs Farry Firefy. one Veniure, 9–2 Denne, 5–1 Tame Dear, 5–1 Deseri Irwader, Norrs, Always Grace, 7–1 10 rommore

2.40 HORMANTON CLAIMING STAKES 1/4 of \$2,250 F Lynch (7) G Berdwell (T Ashiny (7) 7 H Adams 34 D MaCake (3)

A SHAT-0 DISENAIE HAR R Simpson 5-8-5 ... mma 130 4-1 IOP FORM TIPS: Tartes Gen: 8, 12 Nide 7, Roleyy 6 Netling 5-4 Tartes Gen: 3-1 Exilogy, 5-1 E Nide, 7-1 Baher, 10-1 Durban, 12-1 Nemasie. 8 remem

3.10 SKENEY MARCEN STAKES SYO IM # CLASS

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3.44 RETFORD HANDICAP IN EL466						
1 112221 BAPLE BAY (2) (6b es) (CD) (8F) A Bailey 7-10-6						
g 62-011 SECOND COLOURS (20) (CD) Mrs M. Reveley 6-9-13						
8 5-00(3) MASHAAT (7) (6b ex) (C) (D) N Chapman 5-9-7						
4 00650-0 JOHNELE THE JOKER (14) (C) J Leigh 5-8-8						
5 30-2120 SQ(LARE DEAL (4) (C) S Bowing 5-6-4						
9 49-2643 HOOH PREMIUTE (20) (D) # Palmy 8-9-4 A College 2						
7 00-1 AN(ASTIER (21) (C) N Graham 4-9-1						
B 0300-55 WHAT A RIGHTMARE (7) (C) (D) P Howing 4-8-12						
TOP FORM TIPS: Maple Ray 8, Second Colours 7, American 6						
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77	4	64050-5 ASHDREN (18) A Harrison 9-8-12
•	5	ODDUG- CALL NE FLASH (259) Mrs P Sy 4-6-12
	1 .	403000- Destent LORE (447) Mrs J Ramaden 5-8-12
	t z	500 DESERT MAIL (11) R Woodhouse 5-8-12
-	6	153-456 DAVED JAMES' GIVE (2) A Balley 4-5-7
	(P.	000-000 SLEAAT (29) (C) R Woothouse 5-8-7
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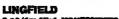
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1	5-G158 TEMPERENA (11) (CD) (BF) D Chapman 10-8-12
8	440-436 JIIGHT (1965 (20) A Streeter 4-8-8
3	203134- CHARLE ERGTINE (167) (C) (D) R Harris 6-9-7
4	6-52361 NORTHERN TREAL (8) (5h ec) (C) (D) K Burks 5-9-7
5	ID40-04 THE CAPE DOCTOR (11) A Foster 4-9-2
Ū.	333-123 GREEK MICHT OUT (2) (CD) (EP) J Eyrs 5-9-2 R Lappin 9
7	3034-5 TORREY PILLES (16) M Ball 4-8-13
	0-45(32 GENESIS FOUR (11) (C) S Barring 5-8-12 C Tangon (5) 2
9	USS-64 TAP ON TOOTSHE (4) T Wall 4-8-8
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Rugby Union

England can learn from Carling's art of survival

Robert Armstrong finds England's captain in relaxed mood and relishing the challenge at Murrayfield tomorrow

O ONE has benefited | learned a great deal about captaincy over the past eight years, but being good enough to be in the England team more from the fusil-lade of criticism fly-ing Jack Rowell's way than Will Carling, who recently has looked so remains the crucial thing." said Carling, who is showing his best form for his club, Harlequins, and country since 1982, when he led Eng-land to a second Grand Slam. relaxed, serene even, that one might almost have assumed England rather than Scotland were in line for a Grand Slam "If you ever get to the point where you think you've real-ised all your potential you might as well quit. I haven't at Murrayfield tomorrow

As the pressure has been piled on the manager to jus-tify contentious team changes and mediocre performances, the England captain has reached that stage yet. I think I've managed to remain effective in the England settended to stay in the background, getting on with the job of preparing his squad for what some of them believe will be a momentous England

son. I still believe I can get an awful lot better, and to be honest I have to because good new players are pressing hard for places. "We already have a number of great players in the team Grand Slam defeat by Scot-land and subsequent criticism from his own players must have undermined his authority as captain; his axing from the 1993 Lions' Test team in New Zealand severely dented his reputation as a world-class centre; and Rowell's procrastination

trying to do by delaying Will's reappointment as England captain for several months," he said. "However, he cer-tainly did Harlequins a big favour by leaving Will in no ling's England future. "I'd like to think I've

doubt that he could take noth- | win over Wales. As soon as he ing for granted. "Since the opening weeks of the season Will has played left the field, tactical rigor mortis set in. England ceased

to develop momentum among out of his skin and the whole the forwards or create space team has reaped the benefit. for the backs. "To win international both from his strong physical contribution and the example matches you have to be pre-cise about detail. And I don't

Carling runs his own comthink you should underesti-mate the pressure that falls on young players feeling their pany. Insight, which offers other companies up-to-date management training courses, way and makes the precision As you might expect, group leadership and strategies for harder to achieve," said Carling, "Growing pains tend to afflict a young side and it's success are prominent themes in the England cap-tain's thinking. "Tactical de-cision-making is an area I have worked on, but too much can be read into a captain's decisions. One man on his decisions distate access my job to build up confidence when we're not performing

well. "If the management feel it's necessary it's up to them to bring in specialist coaches, but 1 feel it's the responsi-bility of the team to work out solutions to the problem

areas together. "It's going to be a different experience for us at Murrayfield. For one thing, I can't remember the last time we were such firm underdogs for a match against Scotland.

"A lot of their success has developed from the half-backs and a fit, mobile pack of for-wards. They have been play-ing almost to their full poten-tial and they've been very committed and confident;

rightly so in my view. "We have guite a good re-cord against them [six wins in the last seven games) but 1 wouldn't mind changing that record by one game [the 1990 defeat]. I certainly don't wake up thinking, 'Oh good, it's Scotland', each time we have to play them."

that. But you can't really know about players unless And the balance between winning and entertaining? you've been on the field with The best way to win against "Some captains have a good the Scots will be to attack them with the ball in hand. If image as tacticians while the image of others is poor - yet we manage to do that people often they turn out to be the will say we are playing enter-

opposite of what people imagtaining rugby." But he added: "Our first duty always is to win the ined watching from the stand." Carling himself had a rare opportunity to study his match. It would be nice just to side's shortcomings when he go out to entertain, but really went off early with a knee in-jury during the recent 21-15 the effective way to win."

Scots clubs seek separate identity

FA still hoping to get its man

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HE Football Association still hopes it can per-suade one of the front runners for the England manager's job to accept the post, even though most have pub-licly said they are not interested

The FA sub-committee charged with finding a replacement for Terry Vena-bles will meet again next week — the exact day has still to be fixed — to decide whom to approach with a job offer. Although Kevin Keegan,

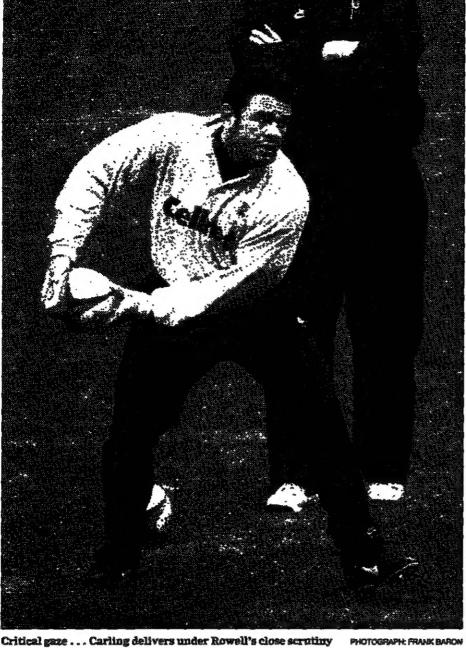
Gerry Francis and Bryan Robson have all said they do not want the job at the moment, there is a genuine feel-ing within the sub-committee that, if one of these managers were actually offered the Eng-land job, he would find it hard to turn it down.

The only manager among the leading candidates not to have ruled himself out is Chelses's Glenn Hoddle, whose contract expires at the end of the season. He is refusing to sign a new one until the club's boardroom row is settled and he knows what money will be made available for team building.

At next week's meeting the sub-committee will hear a report from the FA's technical adviser Jimmy Armfield on the realities of who is actually prepared to put himself forward for the job. Armfield bas been taking

private soundings to ensure accept. What the FA wants to avoid is the unedifying spectracke of being seen going through a series of candi-dates, all of whom say no, be-fore finally ending up with someone prepared to say yes. As such no main candidate has yet emerged in the subcommittee's collective mind, committees concerve minu, though one may do so after next week's meeting. Those candidates who have defi-nitely ruled themselves out in private to Armfield are un-likely to be approached.

The sub-committee com-prises the FA chairman Sir Bert Millichip, chief execu-tive Graham Kelly, international committee chairman Noel White, Southampton



Is it goodbye Lansdowne Road?

lands, in west County Dublin, thy to the casino, not to man, One reason is soccer's high where the cost of building a tion adverse public opinion. international profile, but the "green-field site" stadium has There are some 20,000 listed been estimated at up to 15100 collector to the opinion listed Karl Johnston, from Dublin, on plans to abandon Ireland's elderly national stadium

if any player has made his own luck in order to survive in Test rugby it is Carling. After 64 caps, 57 of them as captain, he knows how to steer a steady course between the selectors' whims and the ever-improving tactics of Test opponents. Beating the Scots cannot look a major problem to a man who has lost to them only once in nine It is a tribute to Carling's astonishing durability that he has bounced back from demoralising setbacks that threatened to dismantle his international career. The 1990

and now that the younger guys are blending in we are starting to get there. We played some good rugby against Wales without ever against wates without ever quite achieving the forward control we wanted." Dick Best, Harlequins' di-rector of rugby, knows Car-ling better than most, having coached him at club level for aicht seacces and as an Eng. eight seasons and as an England player for three. "I'm not sure what Jack Rowell was over the captaincy in the wake of last summer's World Cup raised doubts about Car-

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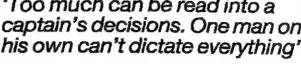
development of a game. He can say, 'This doesn't seem to

be working, let's try one or two variations.'

there have been times when I should have done this or done

"With hindsight I can say

he has set."



of St James' THE country's yawns were stilled yesterday as the year's most drawn-out divorce was finally re- solved, David Batty leaving Blackburn for Newcastle in a 13.75 million transfer. The midfielder is sus- pended for the showdown with Manchester United on Monday but said: "TI be raring to go and I'm just relieved that everything has been completed." North of the border Rangers completed the sign- ing of the Danish striker	come the poor relation of the Five Nations family in Read ground is the oldest in- ternational rugby stadium in the world, and it is looking its age. Little has changed since there on March 11 1878. Grim, poor on crowd facilities, it be- longs to another era. The sufficient played England there on March 11 1878. Grim, poor on crowd facilities, it be- longs to another era. The sufficient played facilities is look because of the objections of residents near the Have- lock Square end. Comparisons with Twick- enham and Murrayfield are the antarrassing. On home inter- national days such as tomored and rates 10 out of 10 for at- mosphere, but for all its his-	with a capacity of under ium with a capacity of under in this set a supply. We need a mod- in th in the int, all-seater stadium hold- court side. Soot a possible to shoe-horn a inclu her difficulties." These include an adjacent invital crowd hazard, and the rong objections of residents what is one of Dublin's ost fashionable suburbs. The IRFU has other op- local	estimated at up to 12100 on, and even that may be arvative. If is e union's expressed pref- clips, however, outlined in ief and untimely state- on the eve of the Ire- Scotland match in Janu- is to become involved in ulti-project development e old Phoenix Park race- be on the cliy's north mas Centre Ltd, formerly m as Ogden Entertain- Services Ireland Ltd, en- es a development cost- 375 million which would de a 63,000 all-seat sta- t, a conference centre, an and a castno — the most oversial aspect of the but one on which the e project hinges. ming permission has al- been refused by the council and is unlikely be	ere are some 20,000 listed jectors to the scheme — the gest number of objectors is sh planning history — in ading two ministers of the local residents and a withora of sports clubs. The union may have another tion, an unlikely one at fact lue but eminently sensible: a erap with the Gaelic Athletin sociation, which is well ad need in a refurbishment and building scheme designed to charter of Europe's est stadiums. Such a move would once we been unthinkable, built est stadiums. Such a move would once we been unthinkable, built est stadiums. Such as move would once is long gone. The IRFU's sociation of Ireland, how er, will remain until 2004 at st and this could be a mbling-block. 'Many of our people would gby but not soccer," one	 which has enabled the to complete Croke Parker Cusack Stand at a cost million without any ing, could suffer if riporate packages were able for rugby and internationals in P Park. To have two state-of stadiums about thread apart and each idle for the year certainly in nonsense. Given that is looks likely to lose its its casino-based concert the less-than-squeak timage of the FAL, at IRFU agreement make A decision on the I Park plan is not timmin objectors are prepare to the European Court tessary, and with the World Cup looming la IRFU does not have time on its side. So an la piece of Irish sporting 	be GAA k's new t of I235 borrow- val cor- e avail- soccar hoenix hoenix to most to most seems a to most seems a to most to most to most seems a to most to	are set to follow min d of their English i by forming a to rr bany and market- ves as a distinc- hin the game. disc intend to battle with the gby Union to be gby Union to be the part in Euro- boge to achieve etition, a goal fere- boge to achieve etition, a goal fere- buy to achieve the SRU and the subjects of con- calc the SRU and the subjects of con- calc by players and s, the top 10 are the steps to keep ent north of the gow ational future of a doubt after the a mee	29-year-old prop and ter nated his international tract, which had a month un. lohessy stamped on Oliv. Roumat during Ireland's e Nations match agains ince this month, and last is have been a statistic against ince this month, and last is bench for togan suf- d a further blow to his in- vational career when a pected broken finger ad him off the replace- nts' bench for tomorrow's cutta Cup game against land at Murrayfield. he Stirling County wing, o replaced Craig Joiner inst Wales, was injured inst a raining session yes- ay and his place on the ch goes to Cameron Glas- of Heriot's FP, 30, who on the bench last season the Five Nations and was amber of Scotland's World squad in the summer but
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KENYA'S PART-TIMERS PROVIDE BIGGEST WORLD CUP SHOCK

'I'm very, very disappointed that we did not play as we should have. That is all I have to say' **Richie Richardson** West Indies captain



The one they wanted . . . Kenya's wicketkeeper Tariq Iqbal and Asif Karim at first slip celebrate as Brian Lara is caught behind for eight off Rajab Ali

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Group A: Kenya v West Indies

West Indies blown away

Paul Weaver on the one-day humiliation | cause the World Cup is being | Greenidge, Desmond Haynes | was always a big supporter of | afterwards: shown on regular TV.

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Celebrations started

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aid Ghai, "I would say wr

will be toasting the win for

Greg Barrow in Nairobi where in non-cricket circles reaction was muted

Tikolos were "spotted". Disputes in the team were put aside yesterday. "We are ecstatic." said Sharad Ghai, acting chairman of the Kenya Cricket Associa-tion of Gymkhana "We OUR hours after Kenya's victory over West Indies in Pune yesterday the national radio station. Voice of Kenya, confined its tion, at Gymkhana. "We took the day off work to mid-afternoon news bulle-tin to a review of President watch this victory and we followed it ball by ball. We Moi's government were shouting and cheering husina all the way through. The whole Kenyan public, But if Kenya's triumph was ignored by the radio station and greeted quietly in the streets of Nairobi, it was a different story at two of the capital's major black, brown or white, is going to be over the moon about this." Over at the Nairobi Club. an old colonial building cricket grounds, Nairobi Gymkhana and Nairobi which has seen better days and not so long ago was a bastion of white cricket, the Club. There the atmosph was euphoric. The reaction was hardly manager Chander Thaker said: "You cannot believe surprising, as few people ex-pected anything from the Kenyans after their chaotic the scenes here. There were over 100 people watching on television. They are over preparations. The players claimed they were not being paid enough and that they had been hampered by a joyed, jumping up and down and shouting 'Go Kenya, go'. The kitchen and bar are in roaring form. I lack of proper training equipment; when they had asked for white balls they am so excited I cannot concentrate on my work. had been given red ones that had been hastily repainted. executive member, said: "It was incredible. Of all the One player alleged that at least three squad members were overweight and had been included purely be-cause they were of Indian matches we expected to win at the World Cup, this was certainly not one of them." Milka, one of the Kenya captain Maurice Odumbe's extraction. But as Kenya left for the tournament the sisters, was overwhelmed team manager Harilal Shah, who captained East as she watched him being have no words," she said. There was no lack of Africa in the 1975 World Cup in England, insisted op-timistically that his side could make an impact. Now there is something to 200 ECA members had elebrate in a year that

watched the match on satellite TV, filling their ashtrays to overflowing as the marks the association's centenary. But many Ke-nyans have never picked up tension mounted. Within minutes of the victory they were telephoning fans a cricket ball, and the game

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cricketing equiva-lent of a cyclone rampaging through the Caribbean yes-terday as they beat West Indies by 73 runs, the biggest upset in Control

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watching all night, in rum shops or wherever, but with ENYA sent the | were torn up and replaced by impromptu phone-ins. Angry listeners vented their frustration, mainly over the captain Richie Richardson and the West Indies Cricket Board of

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by 3 runs, the biggest upset in the conpetition's 21 years. In Barbados, the most im-log tislands, radio schedules watched some of the game be-ing islands, radio schedules watched some of the game be-emergency recall of Gordon

selectors are taking all the stick. The players themselves are being let off lightly." In Trinidad, home of the the game starting at about midnight most people would have gone to bed feeling confibatting idol Brian Lara, dent, only to wake up to the nightmare. people were in despair. Earl Best, sports editor of the Trinidad Express, said: "Every-one here wants to see Lara "Everyone is saying that West Indies cricket is in crisis, captain, obviously, although he might have to wait until the tour of Australia next

"Some would have been

winter before he gets the job. "The criticism of Richardson, before this match, by his fellow Antiguan Viv Richards carries a lot of weight over here. Richards, remember, Now free calls and

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himself down the batting order, from three to four, to get him in the side."

set him in the side." The man who would be king looked something less than a monarch in Pune yes-terday. Batting ilke a man who had a plane to catch. Lara was out for eight, one of nime West Indies batsmen to fail to reach double figures. They were bowled out for 93 in only 35.2 overs, their low-est total in six World Cups, undercutting their 135 against South Africa in 1992. Lara had been lucky to sur-vive a run-out attempt from short extra-cover and ap-

short extra-cover and ap-peared to receive a note from the dressing room, possibly telling him to bat with more

true. This feels like winning the World Cup. Appropriately, when Richardson went up for the presen-tation no one could find the

the country's Asian commucheque. Showing the forlorn body language he had exhib-ited throughout the game, he nity, which is likely to celebrate most. Indigenous black players have com-plained that selection for shrugged: "I'm very, very dis-appointed that we did not play Kenya is based on ethnic as well as we should have, and grounds rather than on talent. that is all I have to say.

Kenya's victory leaves West Indies sweating to qualify, with only one win so far — they sacrificed their game in Sri Lanka for feer of terrorists Tikolo, who plays as a pro-fessional in South Africa. - and facing Australia on Monday. Kenya, meanwhile, are still 500-1 outsiders to win a cricket ground in Nairobi but he and his brothers the cup.

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11 Drudge in fairy tale which

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12 Boss rejects arbiter in need of

14 Hamburgers or nothing? (4,4) 15,17,28 Here & quack?

20 Can it really make one's sole

22 Roused at eight, not completely composed (6)

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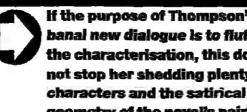
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- Scoreboard caution. But after playing and missing a number of times he was caught behind off the back foot in the eighth over. na c Lara b Wala
- ariq (qbai c Colly b. Walsh ... K Otieno c Adams b Waleh . Tikolo c Adams b Harper ... M Columbe htt wicket b Bight Modi c Adams b Ambrose The wicketkeeper Tariq Iq-hal, bearded and bespectacled, wearing a blue headband and a double chin, had dropped the ball so many times before Harper that that his own bowlers were laughing at him.

Richardson had already de-parted, dragging a wide ball on to his stumps for only five. Only one run after Lara's dis-missal Keith Arthurton was run out for a duck, and at 35 for four West Indies panicked.

Shivnarine Chanderpaul was the top scorer with only 19.

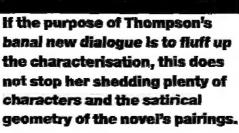
Earlier. Kenya looked well short of a challenging total when they were bowled out Aunderpact & record and a second for 166 in the 50th over, with Courtney Walsh and Roger ma b Anif Karin Harper each taking three wickets. The extras total of 37

was their highest scorer. Maurice Odumbe, the Ke-

nya captain who was also Man of the Match after taking Fall of witabase to a \$1, 66. Bewifings Sull 7-2-16-1; Rajab All 7.2-2-17-3; Asif Karlin 8-1-19-1; M Coumbe 10-3-15-2; Odoyo 3-0-15-0. Usepires: V Rantagegray and Khizar Hayat. three wickets with his off-spinners and running out Curtly Ambrose, grinned

Cup upsets – triumph of the minnows

- Sri Lanka beat India by 47 runs



Trent Bridge, 1983 — Zimbabwe beel Australia by 13 runs Albury (Aus), 1992 — Zimbabwe beat England by nine runs Pune (Ind), 1996 — Kenya beat West Indies by 73 runs

If the purpose of Thompson's banal new dialogue is to fluff up the characterisation, this does

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